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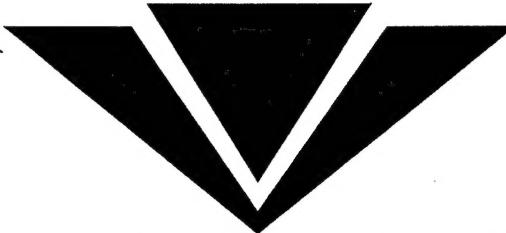
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# N.E.R.T.

## Nurturing ECSU Research Talent Elizabeth City State University

This program, entitled "Nurturing ECSU Research Talent" focuses on undergraduate education and undergraduate research experiences. Nurturing these young researchers is a primary concern. Highest priority is given to providing them with the guidance and skills to insure their entrance and success in graduate school. Further, each student learns the fundamentals of scientific research, in a team setting, under the guidance of a faculty mentor. Program activities are as follows:

### 1. Student development activities

- a) Recruitment of high ability minority students;
- b) Providing a precollege/summer experience for recruited students;
- c) Providing research experiences;
- d) Providing a mentor, graduate school counseling and GRE preparation;
- e) Providing funds for student travel;
- f) Providing financial support for students in the form of research scholarships;

### 2. Infrastructure activities

- a) Enhancement of current computer graphics and operating systems courses;
- b) Development of a new course in computer visualization;
- c) Establishing a visiting lecture series in computer science;
- d) Providing UNIX network management support;
- e) Acquisition of computer equipment appropriate to support of research training.

# Executive Summary

This report documents the 2000-2001 activities of the Nurturing ECSU Research Talent Program. The NERT program is supported by three active grants. The parent grant number is N0014-99-1-0990 (phaseout funds through 7/31/2002). The summer program, involving internships and on-campus research training, is supported by the AASERT grant #N00014-97-1-0650( funded through 6/01/2000). During the 2000-2001 academic year all new students in the program were supported by the NERT-2003 grant no. N00014-98-1-0749 (funded through 7/30/2003). The program activities are documented on the World Wide Web at <http://nia.ecsu.edu/onr/onr.html>.

The 2000-2001 Office of Naval Research Nurturing ECSU Research Talent program involved 28 undergraduates, mathematics, computer science, physics, and technology majors. Research training meetings began September 7, 2001 and were held every Tuesday and Thursday through April 17, 2001. Meetings were conducted from 5-8 pm. Research training meetings start with a 20-30 minute announcement period during which time students learn about internship opportunities, hear program announcements, give team reports, discuss travel logistics and goals of the program. Following the announcement period, students meet with faculty mentors or attend training on tools used for research. The closing program was held on two nights in April. During the closing program, students made oral presentations of their research training activities. All research teams were also required to complete written reports. Copies of the written reports are included. In addition, students spend 20 hours/week in the undergraduate research computer laboratory completing task sheet requirements and research assignments.

The program this year resulted in 2 out of 2 of the graduating seniors being admitted to graduate school with fellowships. One student is scheduled to graduate in December of 2001. Statistics on GPA and Enrollment Statistics can be found on page 3.

Summer internship placement was also impressive including: The Naval Research Virtual Reality Laboratory, Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Federal Aviation Association, ONR Ocean/Marine Science Undergraduate Research Experience, University of Wisconsin Visualization Program, Institute in Computational Science-Scientific Visualization, SCSU Research Institute in Astrophysics, and Univ. of Wisconsin Visualization Research Program. Internship abstracts for 2000 are included in this report. A listing of summer 2001 internship placements is included in this report.

## Executive

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## Summary

A total of \$108,000.00 in scholarships was awarded during academic year 00-01. An additional \$11,000.00 was awarded through the Graduate Success Program to support program alumni who are pursuing graduate degrees. With respect to the Graduate Success Program, two students completed a Masters of Science degree in computer science from North Carolina A&T University. One student completed the Masters of Science degree in Mathematics at Hampton University and two completed the Masters of Science in Physics at Hampton University.

Students presented their research activities at several undergraduate research conferences including, the Seizing Opportunities to Advance Research (SOAR) on the campus of North Carolina A & T University, and NAFEO High Tech Expo in Washington DC. In addition, juniors attended the Graduate School Focus Program on the campus of Georgia Tech, while seniors attended the Graduate Record Examination Forum in New York. All juniors and seniors registered for and took the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

Fourteen of the program participants received the ONR-NERT Research Program Award (certificate plus \$50.00) for having a 3.0 or above cumulative or current GPA in 30 or more hours of coursework. Six students received the ONR-NERT Research Scholars Award (certificate plus \$100.00) for having a 3.0 or above cumulative and current GPA in 30 or more hours of coursework. Two students received the ONR-NERT Award of Excellence (certificate plus \$1000.00) . Each met the requirement for having a 3.0 GPA and having been awarded a fellowship and admission to a graduate program for Fall'01. Included in the appendix is a copy of the Honors Convocation program which list not only the awards described but also a list of those students who made the Chancellor's List, Vice Chancellor's List, and Honor List .

Dr. Johnny Houston, professor of mathematics and computer science, arranged the visiting lecture series during 2000-2001. The visiting lectures were members of the faculty of 6 Historically Black Institutions and 2 international universities. A list of visiting lectures and topics follows.

# **Math & CS Department**

# **Visiting Lecture Program**

Dr. Johnny Houston, Coordinator

Shared Memor and Message Passing Architectures

R. L. Boehning. Professor

California State University/San Marcos

April 19, 2001

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Space Flight

Katheryn Clark ,NASA's Space Station Chief Scientist

May 1, 2001

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High Frequency Devices in Communication Systems

Dr. Monty Andro ,Digital Signal Processing Laboratory Engineer

NASA's John H. Glenn Research Center

September 28, 2000

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"Combinatorial Optimization Problems"

Dr. Earl R. Barnes, Professor

Georgia Tech

August 2000

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Spacelab

Lawrence J. DeLucas (O.D., Ph.D) NASA Payload Specialist

March 20, 2001

# 2000-2001 Graduate Success Report

<u>Name</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Degree Sought/Earned</u>
Anderson, Melvin	NCA&T/ODU	MS in CS (now working on Ph.D)
Archer, Darnley	ODU	MS in CS
Banks, Belinda	NSU	MS in Communication
Basnight, Renee	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Bowser, Felicia	NC State	MS in CS
Bright, Teresa	Ohio State	MS in CS
Brown, Michelle	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Charity, Donald	Howard Univ.	MS in Math
Creekmore, Santiel	Hampton Univ.	MS in Physics
Felton, Curtis	NCA&T	MS in CS
Felton, Karen	NCA&T	MS in Chem
Fields, Courtney	NCA&T	MS in CS
Fenner, Auther	NCA&T	MS in Math
Fields, Michael	Hampton Univ.	MS in Physics
Fofana, Abdula	Howard Univ	MS in CS
Gale, Joseph	Old Dominion U.	MS in CS
Gardner, Bonnie	Univ. of Maryland	MS in CS
Gatling, Charles	NCA&T	MS in CS
Gayle, Chonda	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Gordon, Kim	Virginia State	MS in Math
Hayden, Kuchumbi	NCA&T	MS in CS
Harrell, Jovita	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Harrison, Keisha	Univ. of Maryland	MS in Geoscience
Howard, Ervin	East Carolina U.	MS in Ed. Technology
Jones, Alicia	Howard Univ.	MS in CS
Jones, Clarence	Hampton Univ.	MS in Physics
Jordan, Brian	Hampton Univ	MS in Math
Joyner, Sheri	Howard Univ.	MS in CS
Koltuniak, Eva Dail	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
McCray, Tim	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Mcfadden, Stacia	Michigan State	MS in CS
Monk, Cultilda	Fayetteville State	MS in Math Education
Moore, Ayonda	American Univ	MS in Statistics
Saunders, Sharon	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Thomas, Cathy	Ohio State	MS in CS
Vaughan, Stephanie	Hampton Univ.	MS in CS
Williams, LaVerne	East Carolina U.	MBA

# Summer 2001

# Internship Report

<u>Student</u>	<u>Major</u>	GPA <u>Cur</u>	GPA <u>Cum</u>	<u>Placement</u>
<b>Freshmen</b>				
Gilchrist, Willie II	CS	3.59	3.59	Naval Research Laboratory - Virtual Reality Lab
Harrell, Paula	CS	3.77	3.77	SCSU Research Institute in Astrophysics
Keys, Casey	CS	3.69	3.69	Summer School - ECSU
Rascoe, Elizabeth	CS	3.69	3.69	Federal Aviation Association - FAA
Reid, Shawneque	Math	3.60	3.60	SCSU Research Institute in Astrophysics
Seward, Carl	Math	3.81	3.81	ONR Ocean/Marine Science URE
Smith, Eunice	Math	4.00	4.00	Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
Veale, Nelson	CS	3.41	3.41	Adv Undergrad Research Using Optical Radiation
Vincent, Andrew	CS	3.06	3.06	ONR Ocean/Marine Science URE
<b>Sophomores</b>				
Bah, Ramatoulie	Phy	3.29	3.68	SCSU Research Institute in Astrophysics
Banks, Katrina	CS	3.07	2.98	SCSU Research Institute in Astrophysics
Brooks, Shayla	CS	2.94	3.16	ECSU Ronald McNair Research Program
Creekmore, Torrie	CS	2.80	3.22	Center for Materials Research URE at NSU
Davis, Vincent	phy	3.81	3.94	URE in Astrophysics-Touson
Newby, Golar	CS	3.55	3.59	Naval Research Lab -Virtual Reality
<b>Juniors</b>				
Mattocks, Melvin	CS	2.50	3.25	University of Wisconsin Visualization Program
<b>Seniors</b>				
Gale, Joseph	CS	3.29	3.01	ODU - NASA Harriett Jenkins Fellowship
Walker, Ernest	CS	3.53	3.41	ONR Ocean/Marine Science URE
Harrison, Keisha	CS	3.06	3.28	University of Maryland - Fellowship

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### Summer 2000 Research Abstracts and Program Highlights

#### **Geospatial Visualization for Transportation Engineering: Interpreting the Best Location for an Interstate Highway Truck Safety and Weight Enforcement Facility**

Researcher: Keisha Harrison, SR/CS  
Mentor: Dr. Timothy Olsen,  
Univ. of Wisconsin- Madison. ARC



Keisha became a member of the remote sensing commercialization NASA-supported Affiliated Research Center (ARC) project team when she arrived and began to work on visualizations developed from digital elevation models (DEMs) downloaded from the US Geological Survey (USGS), Landsat-7 multi-spectral data from July of 1999 and county aerial orthophotography. These visualizations were created to be used for planning and decision-making by a engineering firm contracted to the DOT. The goal was to select the best site for a new Safety and Weight Enforcement Facility along a section of Interstate-90. The visualization challenge was to present complex geospatial data meaningful to decision-making in a manner that would enhance engineering decisions and enable meaningful participation by the general public during open hearings. As part of an ARC project, the fly through visualizations contributed towards the commercial viability of remote sensing data and technology.

#### **Three Dimensional Models From 2-D Photos**

Researcher: Golar Newby, SO/CS  
Mentor: Edward Swan II, ONR  
Naval Research Lab



The internship project at the Naval Research Laboratory involved researching the development of 3 Dimensional models from 2 Dimensional pictures. Software packages used include, but are not limited to are Canoma by Meta Creations and Photo Modeler Lite which is developed by EOS Systems Inc. The purpose of this research is to find ways to form accurate 3D models that can be measured for errors and measured for length given a certain scale. The model should then be able to be saved in an OpenGL format or VRML format so that another computer can understand the geometry and texture of the 3 dimensional object. The project also involved study of the most common type of lens distortion encountered, barrel type. Barrel lens distortion causes the image to bend out which causes the image to curve much the same way as a barrel. With the evaluation of Canoma and Photomodeler Lite I was able to determine that Photomodeler Lite was geared much more towards the project and would better benefit someone modeling. With the upcoming release of Photomodeler Pro 4.0 it would better benefit the project.

## **Investigations of a Toy Model of Dark Matter Clustering**

Researcher: Shayla Brooks, SO/CS  
Vincent Davis, SO/Physics  
Mentor: Dr. Donald K. Walter, Center for Network Research & Training (CNRT) at SCSU



The growth of dark matter clusters in the early universe is investigated by using a two-dimensional toy model developed by Krauss and Starkman. The model is implemented in the Mathematica software so that the variation of model parameters can be understood visually. Effects investigated include expansion, growth of the horizon, and free-streaming. Because dark matter is thought to be the seeds for the formation of galaxies, the correlation function for a set of model parameters is calculated and compared with that determined from an actual galaxy catalog. The project also included understanding Optical Astronomy, Stars, ASTROIP, UNIX.

## **Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) Technique for observation and Location of Greenhouse and Trace Gases**

Researcher: Torreon Creekmore, SO/CS  
Mentor: Dr. Thomas Chyba, Research Center for Optical Physics, Hampton University



Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) is a powerful tool for understanding and studying the Earth's atmosphere. The use of lasers in remote sensing helps scientist to take advantage of the unique attributes of laser light to measure properties of the Earth's atmosphere. LIDAR consists mainly of a laser, telescope receiver, and computer data analysis system. Within this research project experiments were performed to demonstrate the fundamentals of lasers. A new

pulse laser was characterized and evaluated for use in a mini-LIDAR system. A small telescope and computer data acquisition system were used to make preliminary measurements. The project started with hard target measurement and proceeded to aerosol measurements. Part of the project involved aligning a plasma tube containing Helium-Neon gas and two resonator mirrors to make a laser.

## **A Study of the Spiral Galaxy M101**

Researcher: Katrina Banks, SO/CS  
Issac Lister, SR/Math  
Mentor: Dr. Donald K. Walter, Center for Network Research & Training (CNRT) at SCSU



Summer research involved investigation of the spiral galaxy M101. The task included processing and examining images of this object taken from the ground using narrow-band interference filters centered on wavelengths of several bright nebular emission lines. The study also included examining emission from both high and low ionization ions, O<sup>++</sup> and N<sup>++</sup> respectively. The presence of HII regions in the arm as well as the ionization structure across the galaxy is discussed

## **Long-term Nearshore Field Experiment**

Researcher: Earnest Walker, SR/CS  
Mentor: Dr. H. Pendharkar,  
ECSU Math & Computer Science Dept.

The Long-Term Nearshore Field Experiment is an ongoing project to implement a web-based data-handling system to compile and archive primary data sets from the DUCK94 field re-

search facility. DUCK94 data is the most comprehensive measurement of the dynamic nearshore data ever collected. In alliance with scientist worldwide, it addresses effects of the ocean carbon cycle on the atmosphere—utilizing total of 19 organizations conducts 31 experiments involving 100 scientist, technicians, and students. The focus of the Elizabeth City State University team of the Mathematics and Computer Science Department in partnership with the Coastal Hydraulics Laboratory Field Research Facility was to make the accumulated data available online in useful online formats.

Focusing the data of small and medium scale sediment transport, morphology, wave shoaling, wave braking, nearshore circulation and sediment motion accomplished this task. The team's ultimate goal was to transform the data collected from its original state to a format utilizing Perl, Matlab, and HTML. Once the appropriate format was conformed, it was then placed on the JGOFS server for Internet use.



#### **A Study of North American Monsoon System (NAMS) Using SuperCalc4.**

Researcher: Joseph Gale SR/CS  
Mentor: Dr. Wayne Higgins  
Howard University

The North American Monsoon System (NAMS) greatly affects climate variability in the continental United States. Finding out exactly how the NAMS affects the climate will allow better prediction of future climate conditions. It is imperative that the NAMS is further researched in order to establish its climate predictability value. Precipitation and surface temperature data has been collected from weather stations all over Mexico for the years of 1990 to 2000. This data will be



combined with that of the Southwest U.S., of the same time period, to be analyzed. The raw data was received in .cal and .csv format. The .cal files are converted to .csv files using an application called SuperCalc4. Using another application all of the files were converted to .asc format. A C-program was designed to scan through each file searching for missing values to be replaced and create a new file, which was in a more proper format for analysis. The data was processed using the Cressman Analysis technique.

#### **Methods of Solving Systems of Equations**

Researcher: Melvin Lee Mattocks, JR/CS  
Mentor: Johnny L. Houston, PhD  
ECSU Math and Computer Science Dept.

A system of equations is written in the form

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$
$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$
$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

where  $a_{ij}$  represent the coefficients of the system,  $b_i$  represents the right-side elements of the systems, and  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  represent the unknowns. To simplify the system we can write it in matrix-vector form. The coefficients  $a_{ij}$  can be used to form an  $n \times n$  matrix, where there are  $n$  columns and  $n$  rows. The unknowns,  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ , along with the right-side elements  $b_i$ , can be placed in an

$m \times 1$  matrix. This system of equations can be rewritten as  $Ax = b$ , where  $A$  is the matrix of the coefficients,  $x$  is the matrix of the unknowns, and  $b$  is the matrix of the right-side elements. A solution for this system is a set of specific values for  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  that will make each of the equations a true equality. Systems of equations are solved by many methods. The Gaussian Elimination method is the most well known. This project, investigates the Gaussian Elimination method as well as some specialized methods such as LU (Lower Upper) factorization and Cramer's Rule, as well as some iterative methods such as the Jacobian Method, Gauss-Seidel Method, and the S.O.R. (successive over-relaxation) Method. Computer programs in C++, to solve the equations, were also developed for each of the methods.



## **VRML and \*.wrl Class Files**

Researcher: Je'aime Powell SR/CS

Mentor: Simon Julier, ONR Naval Research Lab

The task involved creation of a working API which will automatically convert files from VRML class files into OpenGL linklists or C code files for implementation into the GRATO. OpenGL is a cross platform graphics rendering package. It is mostly used for ultra realistic landscapes. The GRATO uses OpenGL to display both reality based landscapes and any man made added features. Specific on the GRATO can be found at the AIT web site which is <http://www.ait.nrl.navy.mil>. The most common OpenGL seen by users can be found in Direct X enhanced games for the PC. It is a very powerful package. The OpenGL website (<http://www.opengl.org>) served as a reference on the powerful package and implementation of software development. The research continued with a focus on the functions of VRML and its \*.wrl class files. One main difference between OpenGL and VRML is the way the textures and object are defined. VRML has shapes built in while OpenGL's linked lists are long and cumbersome sets of instructions. One program was identified with the ability to import wrl files and export c files which can be compiled and run using OpenGL. The program's name is "3D Explorer" by Xdsoft.



## **Development of an e-mail Notification for Wireless**

Researcher: Katrina Godwin, GRAD/CS

Mentor: Joann Ordille, Lucent Technologies- Bell Labs

The research project focused on wireless technology and the construction of an e-mail notification program in the C programming language for UNIX that could be used for wireless application. Circular buffers were investigated as well as Bluetooth wireless technology. A circular buffer program was written to prepare for the e-mail notification program. The e-mail notification program was designed to perform a search for a keyword in the Associated Press newsfeed. Once the keyword was found in an article, an e-mail notification with the title of the article was sent to a specific e-mail address. The program used the UNIX Mail command and the system() function. Katrina is now a graduate student at Howard University.

## **Three - Dimensional Battlefield Simulation of Realtime Kosovo (1999)**

Researcher: Donald Charity, GRAD/Math

Mentor: Dr. Rob King, ONR-NRL

With the Kosovo crisis, the project assigned for research was a Three-Dimensional battlefield simulation of realtime Kosovo. This project will be used for demonstrations at NRL's Virtual Reality Lab. The tools used to complete this project were MultiGen II, a realtime 3D modeling software used to generate the terrain, ARC Digitized Raster Graphics, satellite collected images of the Kosovo terrain, DTED Digital Terrain Elevation Data on CD-ROM, along with several other application programs used to generate the desired terrain for viewing. Donald is now a graduate student at Howard University.

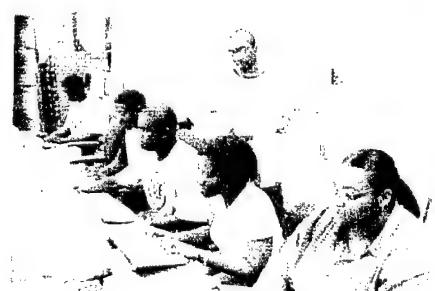


Dr. Hayden is shown with researchers during UNIX Operating System Training.

## 2000 - 2001 PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS ...



The Office of Naval Research-Nurturing ECSU Research Talent program involves undergraduate mathematics, computer science, physics, and technology majors in academic year team research activities. Research training meetings began in early September and were held every Tuesday and Thursday 5-8 PM through Mid April. Research training meetings start with a 20-30 minute announcement period during which time students learn about internship opportunities, hear program announcements, give team reports, discuss travel logistics and goals of the program. Following the announcement period, students meet with faculty mentors or attend training on tools used for research. In addition, students spend 20 hours/week in the undergraduate research computer laboratory completing task sheet requirements and research assignments. The closing program is held on two nights in April. During the closing program, students make oral presentations of their research training activities. All research teams are also required to complete written reports and to maintain a team webpage. Shown above are scenes from the announcement period and Dr. Stephanie Johnson (student advisor). Shown below are scenes from the research training.



## 2000 - 2001 ENTERING FRESHMEN



Seward, Carl



Smith, Eunice



Booth, Cedric



Harrell, Paula



Blakeney, Dionne



Gilchrist, Willie H.



Lee, Kenyatta



Fleetwood, Darius



Reid, Shawneque



Veale, Nelson



Griffin, William



Turner, Patrice

ates to remember....

- \* HTML Training Sept. 14 & 19, 2000
- \* Women Of NASA Satellite Webconference Sept. 27, 2000 and Oct. 5, 2000
- \* Photoshop Training Oct. 3 & 5, 2000
- \* ETS Graduate Record Examination Workshop Oct. 5-8, 2000
- \* Celebration of Women in Mathematics Oct. 17, 2000
- \* National Technical Association Conference & Career Fair, Oct. 18-21, 2000
- \* UNIX OS Training Oct. 10 & 19, 2000
- \* ECSU National Training Conference Oct. 23-25, 2000.
- \* Satellite Imagery Training Oct. 24, 26, 31 and Nov. 2, 2000
- \* Election Day Nov. 7, 2000
- \* Internship Roundtable Nov. 9, 2000 2 - 3:30 PM 116 LH
- \* Report on assigned research articles Nov. 30, 2000
- \* GaTech Graduate School Focus Jan. 13 - 16, 2001
- \* Association for Computing Machinery SIGCSE Conference Feb. 21-25, 2001
- \* NAFEO High Tech Undergraduate Research Expo March 19-24, 2001
- \* Final Research Team Oral Reports Apr. 12 and 17, 2001 5-6:30pm 116 Lester Hall

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Top-Left Dr. Hemant Pendarkar (System Administration), Mrs. Wanda Hathaway (Visualization). Bottom-Left Dr. Linda Hayden (PI), Mr. Jeff Wood (Multimedia). Seated are Mr. Robert Harris (Networking), Mr. James Swimpson (scholarships), Dr. Latif Choudhury (Physics).

## 2000-2001 RESEARCH TEAMS ...

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# 2000-2001 Enrollment & GPA Report

Major Discipline	Number of students enrolled at school (by year)				Number of students enrolled in ONR Program (by year)				Number of Students Graduated		Number of Graduate Professional School	
	FR	SO	JR	SR	FR	SO	JR	SR	Total	ONR	Total	ONR
Chemistry	1	1	1	7	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0
Computer Science	71	43	41	37	7	5	3	2	28	2	2	2
Mathematics	7	3	2	11	3	0	0	1	7	1	3	1
Physics	1	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	80	50	44	55	10	7	3	3	38	3	6	3

	Mean GPA for all	Mean GPA for ONR
Freshman	2.30	3.37
Sophomore	2.57	3.48
Junior	2.63	3.24
Senior	2.87	3.18
Total	2.60	3.32

ONR GRE average score: 1290

- Final Research Team Reports
- Highlights and Photo Pages
- Honors Convocation Program



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# TUNNELING OF A MATTER WAVE THROUGH A DELTA FUNCTION TYPE OF BARRIER

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## Abstract

The Schrödinger equation was set up for a matter wave with non-zero mass with a positive rigid delta function potential sitting at the origin. A wave starting from the left side of the origin should classically be forbidden to penetrate through the rigid delta function type of the wall. However, the equation for the matter wave can be solved for both regions left and right rigorously. The spectral relation of the delta function was used. The property of the delta function that if it is multiplied by a reasonable function, retains only the value at the point where the argument of the delta function vanishes has been utilized. This result can be obtained from the theory distributions. Since we are dealing with only one dimensional case, we arrive at a differential equation which is inhomogeneous and of second order. Since we are only looking for scattering we assume the energy of the system is positive. We get a plain wave solution for the homogeneous part. The particular solution can be obtained by using the residue theorem of complex analysis for both the left and right hand side of the x-axis separately. We then match the solutions according to the quantum mechanical prescription. We find that the results are completely identical. This can be interpreted as follows: the left hand solution completely tunnels through the potential barrier to the right hand side of the origin.

## 1 Introduction

Quantum tunneling is a well-known phenomenon in quantum mechanics. If we construct a barrier along the path of a wave, a portion of the wave bounces back forming the reflected wave and another portion is transmitted through the barrier. If the barrier is high enough, classically one expects that all of the wave should be bounced back. But if we solve a quantum mechanical problem we always come across a phenomenon called quantum tunneling through a classical barrier. If we now introduce a barrier of a positive delta function type, classically it represents an infinite wall. According to our intuitive concept, a wave which originates at the left hand side should not be able to penetrate through the wall. We shall show in this paper that according to quantum mechanical formulation, this wall does not behave as a wall at all.

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## 2 Mathematical Formulation

Let us start with a Schroedinger equation

$$H\psi(x) = E\psi(x) \quad (1)$$

In the above equation

$$H = \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + U(x) \quad (2)$$

In the above equation  $p_x$  stands for momentum in the x-direction. In quantum mechanics it stands for:

$$p_x = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dx} \quad (3)$$

and  $U(x)$  is given by a delta function:

$$U(x) = a\delta(x) \quad (4)$$

We can convert this equation into the following second order linear inhomogeneous differential equation with constant coefficients:

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + \alpha^2\psi = \beta\delta(x)\psi(x) = \beta\delta(x)\psi(0) \quad (5)$$

In the above equation we have set:

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{(2mE)}{\hbar^2} \quad (6)$$

and

$$\beta = \frac{(2am)}{\hbar^2} \quad (7)$$

We choose  $E > 0$ , which leads to  $\alpha^2 > 0$ . Due to the fact that the delta function is zero except  $x = 0$ ,  $\psi(x)$  becomes  $\psi(0)$ . The general solution of Eq.(5) is given by

$$\psi(x) = \psi_h(x) + \psi_p(x) \quad (8)$$

where  $\psi_h(x)$  and  $\psi_p(x)$  satisfy the following equations:

$$\frac{d^2\psi_h(x)}{dx^2} + \alpha^2\psi_h(x) = 0, \quad (9)$$

and

$$\frac{d^2\psi_p(x)}{dx^2} + \alpha^2\psi_p(x) = \beta\psi(0)\delta(x) \quad (10)$$

The solution of the homogeneous equation is for  $x < 0$

$$\psi_{hL}(x) = Ae^{i\alpha x} + Be^{-i\alpha x} \quad (11)$$

For  $x > 0$

$$\psi_{hR}(x) = Ce^{i\alpha x} + De^{-i\alpha x} \quad (12)$$

### 3 Particular Solution

We can rewrite the differential equation Eq.(5) as follows:

$$L\psi_p(x) = \beta\psi(0)\delta(x), \quad (13)$$

where we have defined

$$L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \alpha^2 \quad (14)$$

We know that a delta function can be expressed by an integral representation

$$\delta(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} dk \quad (15)$$

We can easily show that the particular solution  $\psi_p(x)$  can now be expressed as follows:

$$\psi_p(x) = \beta\psi(0)(2\pi)^{-1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} L^{-1} e^{ikx} dk = \beta\psi(0)(2\pi)^{-1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ikx}}{(ik)^2 + \alpha^2} dk \quad (16)$$

The denominator within the integral has two roots for  $k$ , namely  $k_1 = \alpha$ , and  $k_2 = -\alpha$ . In a complex  $k$ -plane the zeroes of the denominator lie on the real axis. These are simple poles. The integration along the real line then yields for  $x > 0$ :

$$\psi_{pR} = \rho(\alpha) \sin \alpha x. \quad (17)$$

For  $x < 0$ :

$$\psi_{pL} = -\rho(\alpha) \sin \alpha x, \quad (18)$$

where

$$\rho(\alpha) = \frac{\beta\psi(0)}{2\alpha}. \quad (19)$$

For physical region  $x < 0$  we get:

$$\psi_L = Ae^{i\alpha x} + Be^{-i\alpha x} - \rho(\alpha) \sin \alpha x. \quad (20)$$

For  $x > 0$  the total solution turns out to be:

$$\psi_R = Ce^{i\alpha x} + De^{-i\alpha x} + \rho(\alpha) \sin \alpha x. \quad (21)$$

### 4 Matching

We now match the solution at  $x = 0$

$$\psi_L = \psi_R \quad (22)$$

This yield the result:

$$A + B = C + D \quad (23)$$

We also match the derivative of the wave function at  $x = 0$ :

$$\frac{d\psi_L}{dx}|_{x=0} = \frac{d\psi_R}{dx}|_{x=0} \quad (24)$$

Using the above equation we get:

$$A - B = C - D - 2i\rho(\alpha). \quad (25)$$

We thus get:

$$C = A + i\rho, \text{ and } D = B - i\rho. \quad (26)$$

Hence we get the final solution:

$$\psi_R = \psi_L = (A + i\rho(\alpha)/2)e^{i\alpha x} + (B - i\rho(\alpha)/2)e^{-i\alpha x}. \quad (27)$$

If we look for a solution of the type:

$$\psi_L = Ee^{i\alpha x} + Fe^{-i\alpha x} \quad (28)$$

and

$$\psi_R = Ge^{i\alpha x}, \quad (29)$$

we have to set:

$$B = i\rho(\alpha)/2. \quad (30)$$

We then get

$$\psi_R = \psi_L = (A + i\rho(\alpha)/2)e^{i\alpha x}. \quad (31)$$

This indicates that the whole matter wave tunnels through the  $\delta$ -function obstacle.

## 5 Probability Density

We can also determine the probability density of the matter wave shown in Eq.(27). For  $x < 0$

$$P_L(x) = \psi_L^*(x)\psi_L(x). \quad (32)$$

Remembering  $\psi_0 = A + B$  and choosing arbitrarily  $A=B=1$ , we can show that

$$P_L(x) = 2(1 + 4\frac{\Delta}{E}) + 2(1 - \frac{\Delta}{E})\cos(\frac{2}{a}\sqrt{(\Delta E)}x) - 4\sqrt{(\frac{\Delta}{E})}\sin(\frac{2}{a}\sqrt{(\Delta E)}x). \quad (33)$$

## 6 Mathematica Program

Our first point of action at conducting an analysis in Mathematica is to plot the probability density. We choose several values for  $\Delta$  and  $a$ . Then we plot two dimensional graphs of the density as a function of  $x$  and  $E$ . The graphs are shown in the following diagrams.

## 7 Conclusion

We have successfully solved Schrödinger equation with a potential which is a delta function type. We got an inhomogeneous differential equation. The homogeneous part was easy to solve. In order to arrive at the particular solution we had to take the help of the residue theorem. We have then shown that the whole wave tunnels through the delta function wall. We have also plotted the probability density function as a function of coordinate  $x$  and positive energy  $E$ . For future instead of using a delta function, we intend to use a finite wall and look at the tunneling effect through it.

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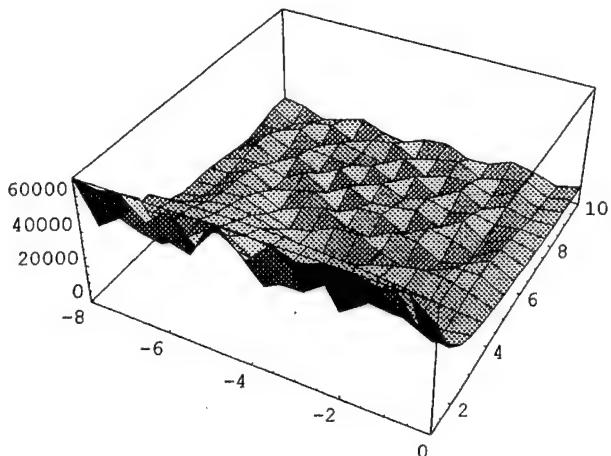
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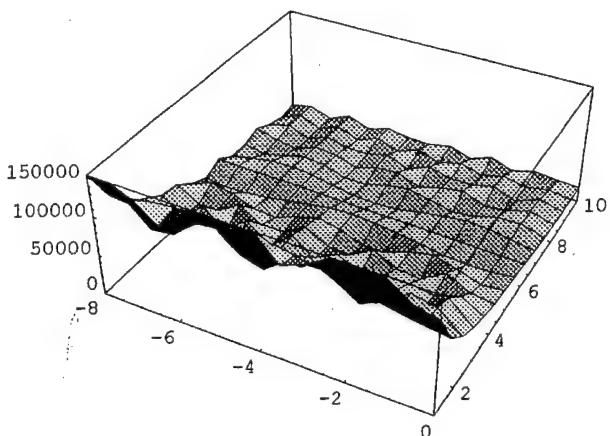
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- 4 Sqrt[Δ/E] Sin[(2 Sqrt[E Δ] / a) x];
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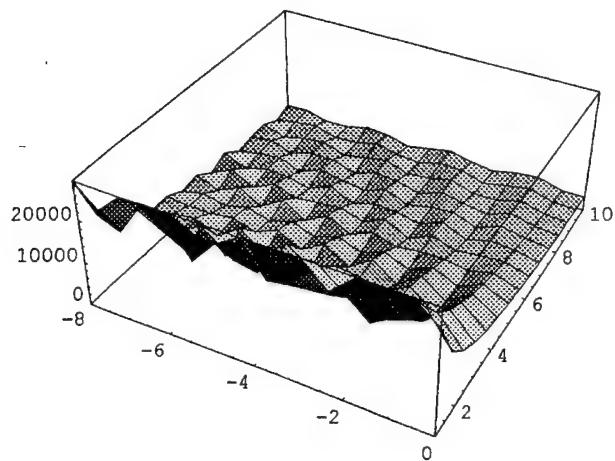
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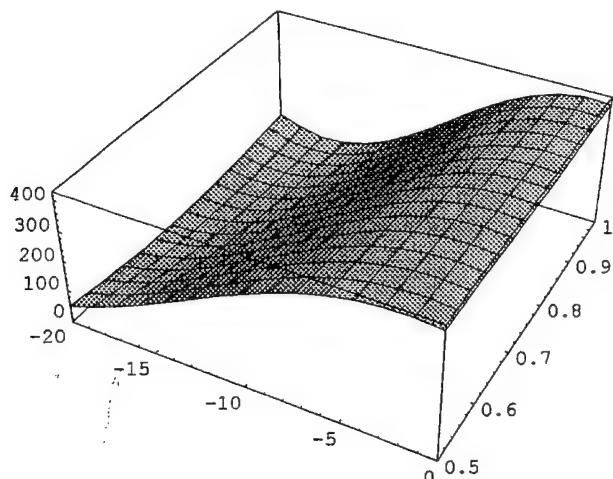
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 $\Delta = .01; a = 1;$ 
Plot3D[100 P[x, E], {x, -20, 0}, {E, .5, 1}]
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**Teaching Experiences:**

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CAREER OBJECTIVE

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EXPERIENCES

- Did research on the "Tunneling of Matter Wave Through a Delta Function Type of Barrier" at the ONR/NRTS lab at ECSU
- Did research on the topic "The motion of a harmonic oscillator under the influence of a derivative type of delta forces" under the Physics team at the ONR lab at ECSU.
- Working as a student tutor from November 1999-present
- Training assistant in the Office of the Math and Computer Science at Elizabeth City state University 11/1999- present
- A computer trainee in basics at the River Cty Community Center April 2000 - June 2000
- Worked with the MSEN Pre-college program as a mentor at Elizabeth City State University June 2000- July 2000

COMPUTER SKILLS

- C++
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- Power point
- Page making
- Some UNIX (In the process of learning)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Was able to prove my abilities and got a NASA/ONR scholarship at ECSU after one semester
- A chancellor's reserved fund's scholarship recipient

ACTIVITIES

- Undergraduate Physics Researcher at Elizabeth City State University
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- National Dean's List
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## Personal Statement

I, Ramatoulie Bah a sophomore with a double major in Computer science and Physics at Elizabeth City State University is a researcher participating with the Physics Team in the Office of Naval Research Program at Elizabeth City State University, under the supervision of Dr. Choudhury and Dr. Hayden.

I also serve as a lab assistant in the same program where I am further developing my computer skills, and at the same time gaining some valuable experiences.

With the help of our mentor, the physics research team, including my self, investigated the "*Motion of Harmonic Oscillator Under the Influence of a Derivative type of Delta Forces*", last year( fall '00).

The main objective of the research was to find out and prove the different types of Delta Forces that act on a spring which is being pulled with a mass attached to It.

The research was very interesting and I find It very educational. As a physics major, I am getting first hand Information on how Newton's law of motion came about and works, and also how It affects masses in motion. This makes the learning process much easier.

This year my project involve the 'Tunneling of Matter Wave Through a Delta Function Type of Barrier'.

Being very interested in technology, I always try to Involve myself In activities pertaining to the advancements made in technology. Releazing my limited background and Inexperience, propels me to get Involve In as many research activities and Internships I can, while pursuing my Bachelor's degree.

After completing my Bachelor's degree In physics and computer science at Elizabeth City State University, I plan to enter graduate school, and eventually get my Doctorate's degree.

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Award for outstanding achievement in Science 02/96, Student Stipend from the USENIX Association  
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## Personal Statement

For the past semester I have been conducting research with the system administration team in the Office of Naval Research Scholarship program at Elizabeth City State University. This program specifically focuses on students who wish to pursue a degree in Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, and Technology. I am also a Lab assistant at ECSU where I help to maintain the systems in the lab and participate in various training events. Some the activities I have participated in include the Women in Mathematics day, and the K-12 Learning Technologies conference. During the Women in Mathematics training event I hosted an internet scavenger hunt for 5th grade girls and I was a moderator at the K-12 Learning Technology conference.

Being a member of the System Administration team, I have had the privilege to study under two mentors, Dr. Hemant Pendharkar and Marie Koltuniak. While working with them I have learned the various ins and outs of UNIX and system administration. After being introduced to UNIX last semester, our current project is to install our own network with a silicon graphics machine as our server.

I have a strong interest in networking, and system administration and I would like to take the opportunity to learn more about them. I am particularly interested in designing, maintaining and operating computer networks.

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### Skills

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BACK TO HOMEPAGE

## PERSONAL STATEMENT

My decision to apply to the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education

Internship Program, was influenced by my decision to increase my participation as an African American in every level in the formulation and implementation of policies and programs of American higher education. This is not the only thing that has influenced my decision in applying for this internship or any others. Basically there are three reasons I think I should apply: 1.) The benefits which I will receive; 2.) The chance to develop a strong professional network; 3.) The experience that I would have gained over my peers.

By participating in this internship I will be able to benefit in addition to a great travel opportunity. I feel that this experience will give me support and encouragement which will enable me to build my self-esteem, and also give me a desire to increase my knowledge to understand the importance, and the value your internship will give me. Also, I will have the chance to engage in meaningful dialogue, learning experiences, and interactions with both professional and higher education officials. I will experience enhanced campus-based learning experiences. I feel this internship will help me be able to thrive, and the experience will far exceed my expectations. This opportunity will help me to continue to grow and expand my knowledge and the hands on experience will give me the ability to assist individuals in need and help them reach their highest potential.

Professional networking is an important benefit. Since my network is limited and mostly local, this opportunity will help me to expand my network away from home. By my participation I will be around high officials and professionals who could train and mentor me through the internship. I am sure that I will come in contact with many expressive, intelligent, and important people who will be a valuable asset to my professional network.

The experience I will have over my peers will probably benefit me the most. The first advantage I would have is being able to adapt to life faraway from home. At this particular time my goal is to move closer in the academic area of physics. I would like to have the opportunity to go into the classroom to share with those students who will be going to work as future physicist or researchers. I would like to teach young aspiring researchers to go into the field of science and know the basic philosophy of being good researchers; to know the gratification and satisfaction that comes from research, and the opportunity to change and make a difference in the lives of people they will serve. Also, I will have already had the experience of working for an important company, program or rather organization, and I will have learned teamwork, and the basics and ethics for working to better the program as well as myself. This experience would be a great achievement and experience I could include on my resume, which would look outstanding. I feel that this opportunity will be a rewarding one; as I would like to continue and enhance my knowledge my knowledge by participation in the program.

With this experience I have and with my participation as an intern I would be able to teach and bring to others not only the philosophy and the theories, but the real practical experiences that come only with working in this field or within my major. I am very much aware that this opportunity will enable me to have the greatest amount of

respect and influence as far as my education is concerned. I realize the need to further my education in order that I could become a self-sufficient individual, and some day a supporting parent, as well as a role model for children. my mother told me , d~I want my children to go to school and achieve all that they could to help them avoid the pitfalls of being in poverty the rest of their lives. To make her happy and proud of me I will achieve and learn all that I can to keep me from being in the pitfalls of poverty.

If I am given the opportunity to participant in you program, I will make every effort to prove worthy of the opportunity. I will make sure that I bring to the program the skills that will be beneficial to me , my team, and perhaps my mentors as far as my knowledge and experience; though they are limited knowing my limited background. I feel this internship will provide and invaluable work experience as well as an unforgettable experience, and I feel that it would help me to mature professionally as well as personally. Also, I can bring new insight, new knowledge, and new wisdom into my university as a student. Ultimately, this opportunity will help me better myself as a role model, student, and a guide for future student researchers. It would be a great honor to work with the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education Internship Program, and a great summer experience for me.

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Graduated Cum  
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Cumulative: 3.562

Elizabeth City State  
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Current Student  
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of Spring '01)

Work Experience  
Lab Assistant  
ONR/NASA Lab  
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Undergraduate Research  
Institute in  
Astrophysics  
(U.R.I.A.)  
South Carolina State  
University  
Orangeburg, SC

Training Event  
New First Baptist  
Taylorsville  
Portsmouth, VA

Scholastic Achievements  
Mathematics,  
Science, and  
Technology  
Magnet Program

National Honor Society

Office of Naval  
Research/NASA  
Scholarship  
(Recipient)

ECSU Honors Program

Conferences  
LISA '99 Conference  
Seattle Washington  
November 9-12, 1999

NAFEO Conference  
Washington D.C., MD  
February 15, 2000

Extracurricular Activities  
Student Council  
Association  
(Homecoming  
Co-Advisor 97-99)

Bethlehem Youth  
Ministry (President  
97-99)

Access Mentoring  
Program (98-99)

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### Personal Statement

Two summers ago, I was accepted to the Office of Naval Research/NASA program offered by Elizabeth City State University. This program is for students who wish to pursue a degree in Computer Science, Math, Technology, and Physics. Dr. Hayden has introduced to me a way to pursue a major in physics and to do related research. Currently, I am matched my current mentor, Dr. Choudhury, in the Department of Physical Sciences. With the aid of Dr. Choudhury and the other team members, we have completed a research project, the Harmonic Oscillator Under the Influence of A Sequence of Delta Type Forces. We had to set up an equation of motion of a mass according to Newton's second law of motion. We then had to develop a Mathematica program to plot the solution to this equation. I enjoyed working on this project because it has made me feel more comfortable with my major. This project alone has influenced me to do more research in the field of Physics.

Since being in the Office of Naval Research Program, I had the privilege to attend several conferences. I attended the 1999 LISA (Large Installation System Administration) Conference. This conference was held at the Washington Convention Center in Seattle, Washington. In February of 2000, I attended the NAFEO Conference. There I had the honor of presenting a research project. We also went to several sessions and an exhibition. This past September, I went to the MUSPIN Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia. There I presented my summer research project and got a chance to view some of the other student projects.

I have also had the privilege to do an internship this past summer. I did my summer internship at South Carolina State University. It was called Undergraduate Research Institute in Astrophysics (U.R.I.A.), under the mentoring of Dr. Donald Walter and Dr. Daniel Smith. My research project for this summer was "Investigations of a Toy Model of Dark Matter Clustering." This study of dark matter clustering in the early universe was investigated by using a two-dimensional toy model created by Krauss and Starkman. This model was implemented through Mathematica software so that the variation of model parameters can be understood visually. We then used a correlation function so that we could calculate and compare model parameters that were determined from an actual galaxy catalog.

Besides this experience, I have experiences in several computer languages (C++, HTML, and Java), computer types (Window/Intel PC, Macintosh, UNIX), mechanical equipment. Also, I am a lab assistant in the Office of Naval Research Program, under the supervision of Dr. Hayden.

These experiences have convinced me to pursue the highest degree in Physics. I would like to continue my goal, if I am given a chance to become part of several research programs; in the fall and summer that will aid me in getting my bachelor's degree in Physics. By gaining a master's degree in Physics, I will attain the proper skills to perform the job of a physicist. Finally, after receiving a Ph.D., I would like to do research in the field of Physics and do projects that will assist people in their everyday life.

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## *Objective*

: To find a internship that will prepare me for a professional job and graduate school

## *Experiences*

: June 1999-July 1999

Graphics Assistant

-making plates

-making copies of white, pink, and yellow ordering sheet for Perdue Inc.

: September 2000-present

Computer Technician Assistant

-installing software on Macintosh Computers and Personal Computers

-replacing hard drives on Macintosh Computers

-replacing CD Rom's on Macintosh Computers

-replacing 3 1/2 Floppy Disk Drives on Macintosh Computers

-upgrading memory on Macintosh Computers

## *Education*

August 1996-June 2000

Bertie High School

Windsor, NC 27983

-Graduated in June 9, 2000

With Honors and North Carolina Scholars

Current-Freshman at Elizabeth City State University

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Current GPA During Fall 2000 at ECSU: 3.412

## *Achievements*

-1997-1999 Who's Who Among American High School Students

-Recipient of the ONR NASA Research Scholarship

-Recipient of the ECSU Incentive Scholarship

## *Extracurricular*

## *Activities*

- Singing in the Youth Choir at Mount Olive Baptist Church

- SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

- Prom Committee

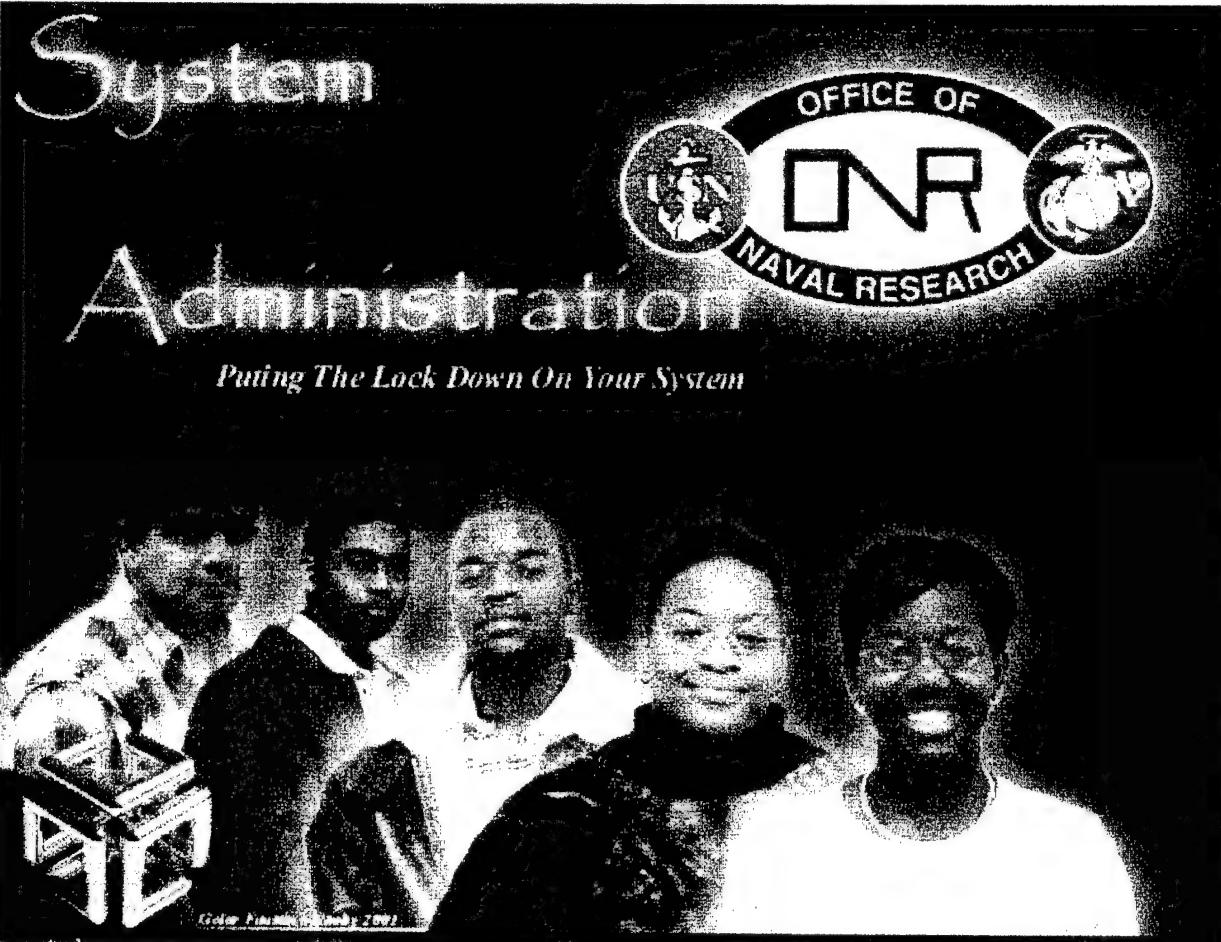
- CERTL (Center of Excellence in Research, Technology, and Learning Program)

- UPWARD BOUND (Pre-College Program)

- SET-M (Science, Engineering, Technology, and Mathematics Program)

## *Skills*

- Typing over 100 words a minute
- Microsoft Office 2000
- HTML
- C++ (in the process of completion by May 2001)



## *System Administration Research Team* **2000-2001**

Team Mentor:  
Dr. Hemant Pendarkar

Team Members:

Golar Newby  
William Gilchrist II  
Paula Harrell  
Patrice Turner

# System Administration Team

## 2000-2001



### Final Team Research Report

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Willie Gilchrist

Golar Newby

#### **Mentor:**

Dr. Hemant Pendharkar

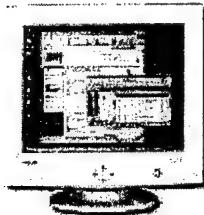
## **System Administration Abstract**

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The concept of NIS and NFS has been explored during the duration of the research project. The hope was that the NIS and NFS administrative tools would greatly increase the efficiency of the labs resources. These administrative tools would also help in the understanding of a network spanning many different systems and many different types of hardware.

With the many different types of system software and system hardware a way of tying these systems together besides a server became a challenge. The chosen course of action was to use Linux as a router. The advantage of using Linux was all of the free software that the team could utilize once the main aspect of the project was completed. The main objective of the research was to achieve an understanding of the ins and outs of system administration on the UNIX platform across different types of environments.



### **Monitor**

Screen Attributes

16" View Screen

16" Viewable Image

.26 mm dot pitch

### **Input Signal**

Video Signal: Analog

H Frequency: 30-82 KHz

V Frequency: 50-150 Hz

Sync Signal: Green

### **Compatibility**

Mac Adapter: Mac Sync

PC Adapter:

### **Input Connector**

13W3

### **Maximum Resolution**

Maximum: Up to 1152x870

Macintosh:

Flicker free:

### **Power Use**

Power Supply:

Consumption: maximum

### **Video Bandwidth**

100 Mhz

### **Plug and Play**

Dimensions and Weight

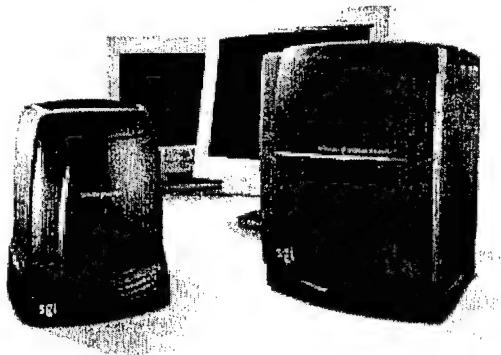
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Depth: 18.7

Weight: 60

## **Indigo II**

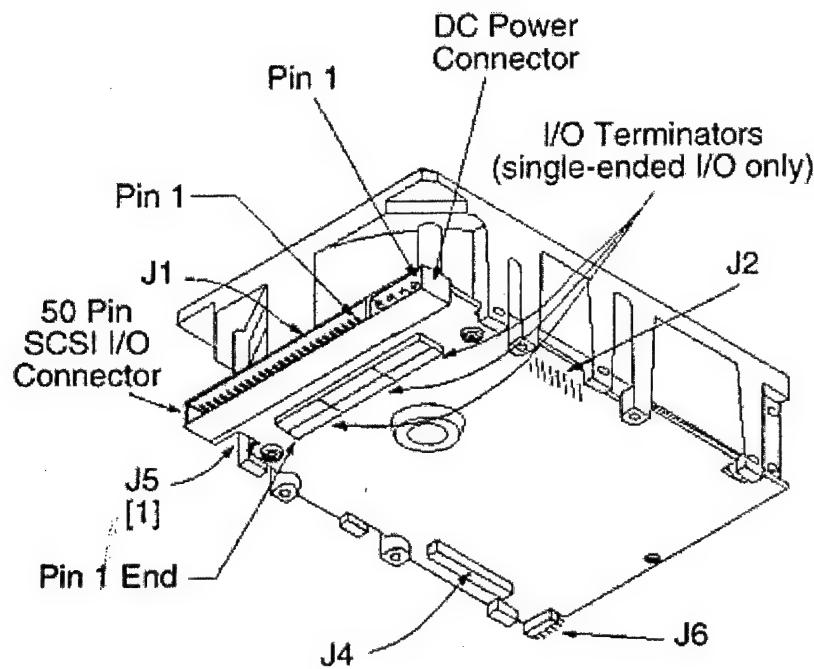


### **Silicon Graphics / Hardware**

Hardware includes the physical components that are used to make up a computer, such as the monitor, mouse, keyboard, and the CPU (Central Processing Unit) only to name a few of them. The hardware is comprised of a hard drive, a tape drive, and a CD-ROM. The power supply is consumption at a maximum compasity for the Indigo 2. SGI (Silicon Graphics) is computer equipment that is used to provide people with a visual enhancement of high performance. The SGI is visual workstation uniquely that combines high-quality graphics and powerful processing. The Silicon Graphics IRIS Indigo 2 is a workstation that represents the original workstation that offers all of the advance 3D graphics capabilities.

## Silicon Graphics Indigo 2 Hard Drive

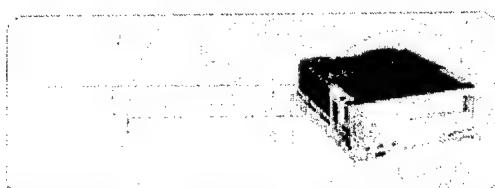
The hard drive is hardware in the CPU where information can be stored according to the user command. The capacity of the hard drive is 2.00 GB (giga bytes). The speed of the hard drive is 6100 rpm (Rams Per Minute), and the seek time is set at 11.0 ms (Mili Seconds). This is a diagram of the actual hard drive, in the Silicon Graphics Indigo 2 there is also a 200 MHz (mega hertz) processor with 64 Mbytes (mega bytes) of memory.



## **Silicon Graphics Indigo 2 CD-ROM / Tape Drive**

The CD-ROM (Read Only Memory) came as an extension of the CD in 1984. In principle, the media and the drives are the same. The difference is in the data storage organization. In a CD-ROM, the data are stored in sectors, which can be read independently - like from a hard disk. The CD-ROM are optic readable media, compared to hard disks, floppy disks and tapes, which are magnetic. The optic storage media are read with a very thin and very precisely aimed laser beam. The CD-ROM supplement the magnetic media. It has clear advantages in the areas of data density and stability. Data can be packed much more densely in optic media, and have much longer life span. It is presumed that magnetic media, such as a hard disk or DAT (*digital audio tape*) can maintain their data for a maximum of five years. A CD-ROM can hold 650/700 MB of data. Similar to the CD-ROM, a tape drive is simply used to store information. A tape driver does not store the information as compact as the CD-ROM. Both a tape drive and a CD-ROM drive is used for holding back up files.

### **Tape Drive**

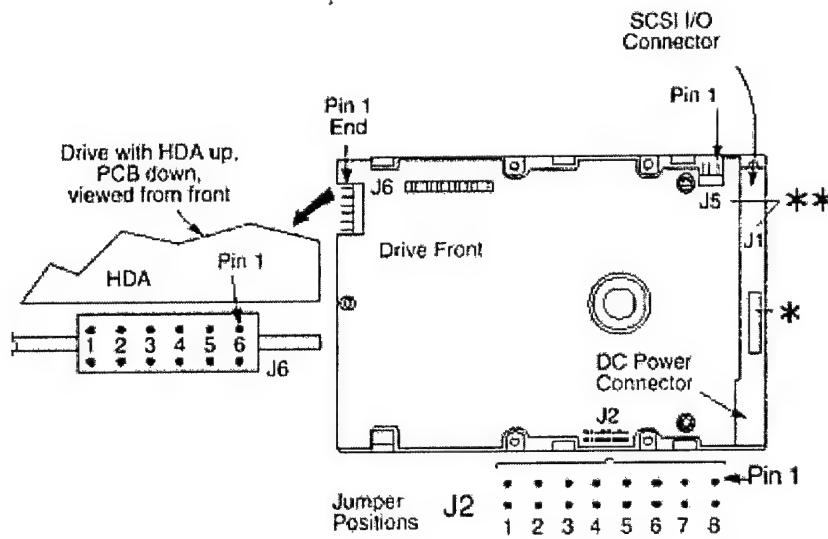


**CD-ROM**



## Jumper Settings

The jumpers were set by a combination of on-line support, technical support, and local experts. Jumpers are pins that are to be configured according to your hard drive settings and the computer arrangement. HAD (head and disk assembly) is automatically sealed at the factory before the owner receive the computer. The air circulates with the HAD through a non-replaceable filter which is to maintain a free environment. The jumper settings are set to a certain computer requirements.



After the new drives are installed, they must be formatted before any installation can start. The research group checked the maintenance of the system by using the maintenance command line prompt under the maintenance window. The hardware is the first thing that the research group checked. The drives and the external CD Rom would be seen when the command *hinv* was typed if the jumper settings were accurate. To reformat the system and to boot the computer from the disk on SCSI control zero, device we typed the command *boot -f dksc(0,5,8)sashARCSdksc(0,5,7)stand/fx.ARCS -x*.

Once this command is read, the computer goes into default mode. A list of options appeared but the research team chooses number one. This option allows the research team to set up swap space for the computer. The research team set the swap space for the computer at 384, which double the memory of the system. The swap space, also known as RAM is the physical memory that the computer has.

The software is ready to be installed into the system after the new drives are set. The software disk is loaded using an external CD Rom drive. In order to have a successful installation, the research team had to load the CD's in a specific order. The specific order was:

- 1.) Overlays 1
- 2.) Overlays 2
- 3.) Foundation 1
- 4.) Foundation 2
- 5.) Latest Applications CD
- 6.) ON3 / NFS
- 7.) Development Foundation

8.) Development Libraries

9.) Other Software that might be needed or desired.

The system asked for each CD twice. The first time was to test whether the hard drive could hold the operating system. The second time is when the actual installation of the CD accrued.

Actual System Administration can begin once IRIX 6.5.6 (the operation system) is loaded. The user is asked for a root password by the operating system. The root user is also known as the super user. With the password, the root user has full access to all files on the computer. Good System Administration ethnic is needed from this point on. The root user has the authority to close or lock any files.

The Graphical User Interface (GUI) is used to protect other open accounts once the password has been created. The GUI provides the root user with the tools to manage accounts on the network. System manager provides the main part of the GUI. The system manager are the disk manager, system shutdown, NFS (Network File System) manager, Network Setup, Login Setup, User Manager, Port Setup, Restart System, System Setup, Swap Manager, Print Manager, and the System Log.

The disk information for a particular machine can be showed using the disk manager. This allowed the research team to see the disk type, controller type, controller number, and the amount of disk space available. The Network File System manager allowed the research team to see the remote mounted file system that is on the machine. The system administrator set the preferences for the Network Information System (NIS) using the Network Setup. The login preferences are set with the Login Setup. The tool that allows you to create and modify user accounts on the network is the User Manager.

## User Accounts

Creating a user account is a very simple task, but one that can only be done by a certain person, that being the System Administrator. The System Administrator must log into the system as root. After this is done, you click on the system manager and go to security and access control. Then go to user manager. You click on add to add a new user to the system. Once this is done, it will ask you to choose a login name. After that, type in your full name. It will then ask you to choose the type of user account. There are two choices. One is a local account and the other is a network access account. When you begin to create a user account, it automatically goes to a local account. This means that the user can only log into the computer that the account was created on. If a network access account is created, then the user has access to all the machines. It then asks you to add a password. It must consist of 6-8 characters. Even though the system administrator has access to everything, they do not have the power to figure out a users password. Once the password is entered, the system encrypts it into a code that is completely different from the password. It is virtually impossible to figure out. One of the characters must be a number. After this is done, a User ID is automatically given. This ID is generated by the computer. This is a numerical representation of yourself, acting a lot like a social security number so to speak. A number will never be repeated. In other words, no one can have the same number. When asked to choose a primary group, this simply determines how files are shared among users on a workstation. Every user is assigned to a primary group. In our lab, the primary group is students. The home directory is next. This contains the users configuration files and documents. It can either be local to your workstation or it can be located on a remote workstation on the network.

The home directory for the computer we are working on would be /usr/people/"login name." I put "login name" to just show that whatever you happen to choose for your login name will be at that particular spot. You then select the shell program you would like to use. We use "tcsh" because it happens to be an easy shell to use. The last thing to do is to confirm your shell settings. You click ok and the set up is finished.

## Commands

When dealing with UNIX, commands play a tremendous part in the use of it. There are many commands but I will just touch on a few of the important commands. The *pwd* command tells what directory you are presently working on. The command *cd* stands for change directory. This basically means that you want to look into that particular directory. It will allow you to change your directory position. The command *ls -l* gives a list of what is in a particular directory. *Ls* stands for list and *-l* stands for long list. If you just type in *ls*, the computer gives you a shorter list of files but it is still the same files. The command *man* stands for manual and tells what all the commands mean. For example, if you put in the command "*man ls*" it will tell you what *ls* stands for. This can be used to find out what any command stands for. When you press Ctrl Z, it can suspend any job. When typing in *telnet "ip address"* or "*computer name*" it will allow you to log into another computer. Typing in "*rlogin*" also lets you log into another computer.

Once accounts have been created on the local system using the Graphical User Interface the challenge of exporting that group of files to all the systems on the network becomes the next task for the team to tackle. Using Network Information Service operation is the best means of exporting the password files to all of the other systems on the network. If the administrator did not use NIS then he or she would have to enter passwords for each user on each machine. This method is not only inefficient, but also unpractical because a network could contain over one hundred systems and of one hundred users.

The first step in setting up NIS is getting the NIS domain name set. The file located at */var/ypdomain* allows for the administrator only to change or add the domain name. In the case of the system administrative team's network the domain name is *sysadm.ecsu.edu*. The next step is setting up the NIS server name. The file that the administrator edits is */etc/sys\_id*. Here the team entered Kiaora as the server's name. With these basic principals setup, creating the passwd file for the NIS server was next. The extension of the passwd file that you create should end in .nis. The next step is setting up the binding to hold a folder named *sysadm.ecsu.edu*, which holds a file containing the NIS server name, Kiaora.

Building maps is the next carefully planned step in setting up NIS. The command *ypinit -m* creates a master. By typing *chkconfig* the administrator can then set *ypservers* to *nis* and *hosts* can also be set to *nis*. Restarting the computer is necessary for the changes to take affect. Typing the commands *ypinit -c* create a client, while typing *ypinit -s* produces a slave.

The system is now ready to export the passwd.nis file to any computer on the network, but what about NFS. Network File System (NFS) design and operation is also a critical part of system administration. NFS is a way of mounting files from one system to another. This is extremely important in the network that the team has created. The systems all use different types of hardware components and with NFS, an administrator has everything needed to maximize the server while giving the clients just what they need. With the NFS setup that the IXIR 6.5.6. GUI interface provides an administrator can take free space from one type of hard and let the server mount that space. This means that the hard drive is physically on the client's system, but the serve can use the free space as if it was actually part of the server's hardware. Even with different hard drives the systems are allowed to share resources collectively.

To cap off the research project the team used a Linux box to route the system to the Internet. With Linux the software comes with the installation process and is user friendly if you have good hardware. With the Linux box the task of system administration is boosted a few notches up. Now the system administrator must only know the components of SGI computers, but also must know the components of PC platform computers. Now the network is able to caterer to several different needs while still maintaining its cohesion as a network. Thus the job of a system administrator is done, or is it. With every changing technology and every changing treats a system administrator must be a renaissance man or woman of the world, not only knowing one platform or operating system, but several ever changing systems. The job of a system administrator is never done.



## System Administration Team

2000-2001

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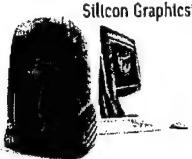
- ◆ Willie Gilcrest
- ◆ Paula Harrell
- ◆ Patrice Turner
- ◆ Golar Newby

### Mentor:

- ◆ Dr. Hemant Pendharkar



### System Administration Indigo 2 Hardware



Willie Gilchrist II



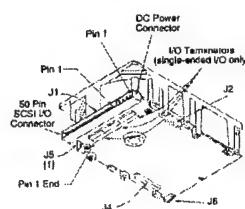
### SGI (Silicon Graphics)

- ◆ SGI is computer equipment that is used to provide people with a visual enhancement of high performance.
- ◆ The SGI is also workstation that offers all of the advance 3D graphics capabilities.
- ◆ What is hardware in a computer?

## SGI Hard Drive Capabilities

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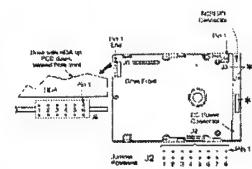
## The Actual Hard Drive



## Jumper Settings

- ◆ Jumpers are pins that are to be configured according to your hard drive settings and the computer arrangement.
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## Jumper Settings Diagram



## CD-ROM

- ◆ The CD-ROM (Read Only Memory), data are stored in sectors, which can be read independently - like from a hard disk.
- ◆ CD-ROM are read with a very thin and very precisely aimed laser beam
- ◆ Data can be packed much more densely

## Tape Drive

- ◆ A tape is a optic readable magnetic drive
- ◆ A tape driver does not store the information as compact, or last as long as the CD-ROM.
- ◆ Both a tape drive and a CD-ROM drive is used for holding back up files.



## Installing The Operating System

By: Paula Harrell

1. Install new drives

2. Use the maintenance command line prompt

3. If the jumpers are correct, drives will be seen when *hinv* is type

4. The external CD Rom will be seen with this command also



5. *boot-f dksc(0,5,8)sashARCSdksc(0,5,7)stand/fx.A RCS -x* tells the computer to reformat and to boot from the disk on SCSI control zero, device number five.

6. The swap space was set to 384 which is double the memory of the system.

7. The swap space is the physical memory of the computer.

8. Swap space is also known as RAM (random access memory).

9. The next step is to install the software into the system.



10. CD's are loaded in this specific order:

- \* Overlays 1
- \* Overlays 2
- \* Foundation 1
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11. The CD's are asked for twice.

12. The first time is to test whether the hard drive can hold the operating system.

13. The second time is when the CD is actually being installed.

14. IRIX 6.5.6 is the operating system we installed.



The operating system will ask the root user to give a password.  
The password is done using the Graphical User Interface (GUI).  
GUI contains the tools for the administrator to manage accounts on the network.



## The tools are:

disk manager  
system shutdown  
NFS (Network File System) manager  
Network Setup  
Login Setup



User Manager  
Port Setup  
Restart System  
System Setup  
Swap Manager  
Print Manager  
System Log



## Setting Up User Accounts

By: Patrice Turner



## Getting Started

- ◆ System Administrator must log into system as root
- ◆ Go to Security and Access Control
- ◆ Click on User Manager
- ◆ Click on add



- ◆ Choose a login name.
- ◆ Type in your full name.
- ◆ Choose the type of user account.
- ◆ Choose a password.



## User ID

- ◆ Generated by the computer.
- ◆ A numerical representation of yourself.
- ◆ Nobody will have the same number.



## Primary Group

- ◆ Every user is assigned to a primary group.
- ◆ Determines how files are shared among users on a work station.



## Home Directory

- ◆ Contains the users configuration files and documents.
- ◆ Can be either be a local or remote workstation.



## Finishing Touches

- ◆ Select a shell program—(tcsh)
- ◆ Confirm shell settings.
- ◆ You are done!



## UNIX COMMANDS



- ◆ “*pwd*”- present working directory
- ◆ “*cd*”- allows you to look into a directory
- ◆ “*ls*”- lists information about files and directories
- ◆ “*man*”- tells what commands mean
- ◆ “*Ctrl Z*” – suspends any job
- ◆ “*telnet*” or “*rlogin*”- allows you to log into another computer



## NIS and NFS

By: Golar Newby



### What is NIS?

NIS stands for Network Information Service. NIS is one of the best means of exporting files to various systems.



How does one go about setting up NIS?



### What is NFS?

NFS stands for Network File System. This allows systems to share resources appropriately.



How does NFS work?



How does Linux play a part in System Administration?



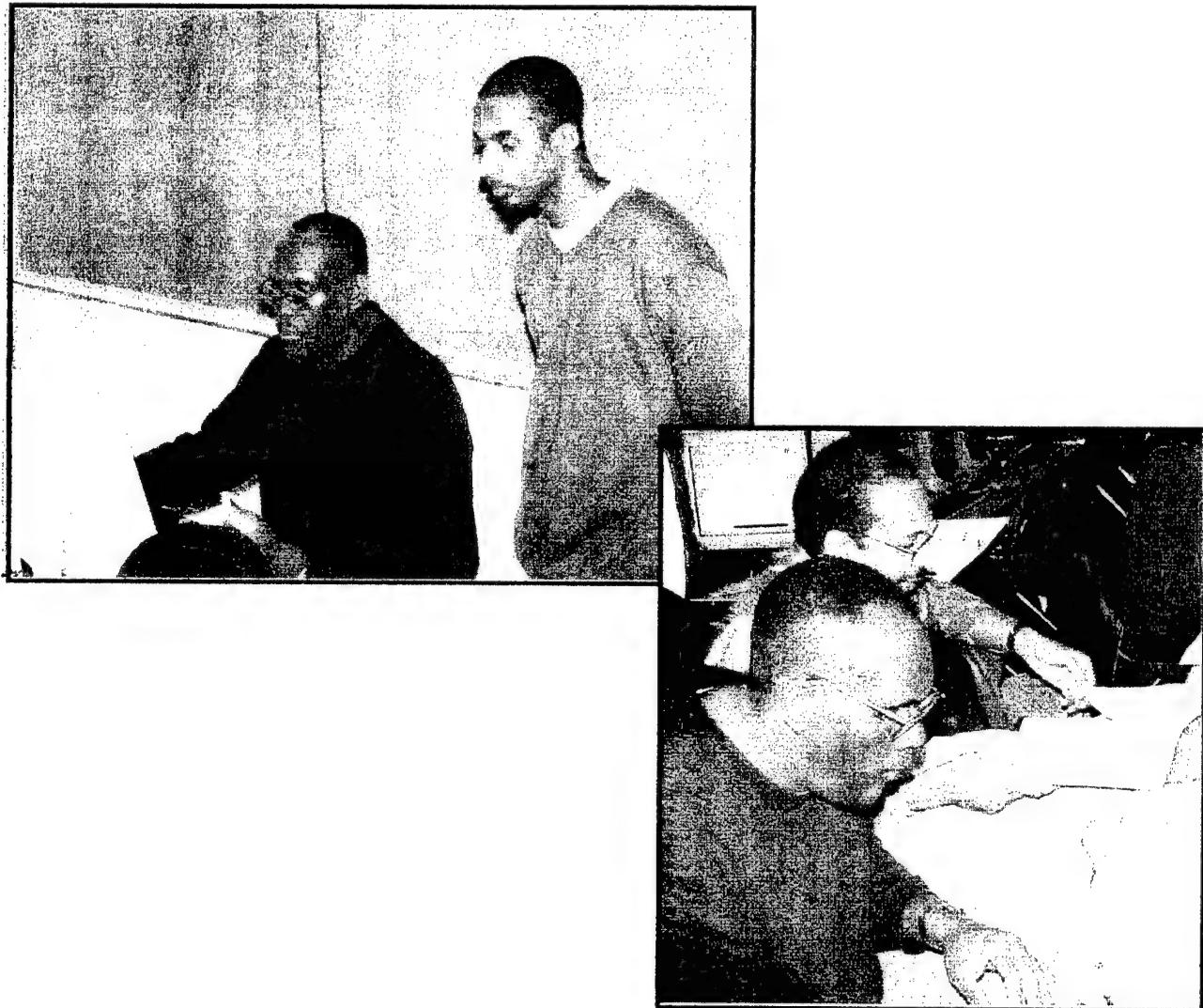
Linux is used as a router to link the server to the Internet. The router also regulates the clients use of the Internet. Provided is a graphic of how the system is setup.



### Future plans for the team.

- Integration of more systems into the System Administration network.
- Using Linux with PGP.
- Loading different versions of Linux.
- Leaning more efficient means of administrating the system.
- More UNIX commands

Questions??



*Networks Research Team*  
**2000-2001**

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## Network Administration Team Report 2000-2001



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-Members Homepages

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## **2000-2001 NETWORKING RESEARCH TEAM ABSTRACT**

The 2000-2001 Networking Research Team project focuses on file system sharing between Unix and other operating systems such as Windows and Mac OS. Another focus is on web-based email server applications that can offer more global and secure communications.

Through the use of network application software such as K-A Share by Xinet and DiskAccess by Shafer Solutions the investigation will demonstrate how the Unix Network File Sharing (NFS) and Network Information System (NIS) applications can be extended to the MacIntosh and Windows-based operating system desktops. The project will also link the importance of this capability to the daily usage in the ECSU computer science research lab environment that consists of multiple platforms.

The convenience of having a single password file for both the file server and mail server through the use of the Network Information System (NIS) application are offset by the security concerns of frequent global inter-network access for purposes of retrieving user email. Therefore, another research goal is to achieve global server-based password authentication with encryption. Plans include the installation, testing and evaluation of a web-based email application to address this relevant security issue.

This semester the Network Administration Team's focus was to do more than just research projects. Since much of the everyday task of a lab rely on networking, this year the team focused on projects that will be useful to everyone in the lab regularly from now on.

### **Unix-to-Mac connectivity:**

Because the lab has such a variety of machines with different platforms and file systems, connectivity is not easy. In the past FTP clients have been used to ftp files from one platform to another but FTP is very inefficient. To relieve this problem on the Mac's we have installed a combination of K-AShare for the Unix platform and AppleShare for the Mac's to allow file sharing between the two and streamline connectivity.

K-AShare is a file sharing technology that transforms a UNIX host and its Network File Sharing (NFS) into a powerful AppleShare server for Macintosh users. With K-AShare, Macintosh workgroups will achieve faster file transfer speeds, more efficient volume control, and enhanced network communications, with no change to their familiar Macintosh environment.

#### **K-AShare features:**

- Multi-platform compatibility allows Macintosh and UNIX systems to share data and resources. K-AShare supports SGI hardware running IRIX 5.x or newer. All available Mac OS versions are fully supported.
- Performance soars because the UNIX host brings robust multi-processing, increased disk space, and improved system security. With support for AppleShare over TCP/IP since 1997, K-AShare achieves network file transfer rates as fast as your local disk.
- Beefed up security with Access Control Lists (ACL) K-AShare brings tight UNIX security to AppleShare networks, and adds access control lists for secure file sharing over intranets, extranets and the Web, bringing a higher level of security to the convenience of transferring files via the Internet.
- NFS Gateway: Through K-AShare, Mac users can access mounted NFS file systems anywhere on the network. A server running K-AShare can be a client to remote file servers based on NFS, making any mounted file system accessible to Macintosh users.

Now for the second part of the equation, AppleShare. AppleShare is the software that runs on the Mac's OS that is used to share files. AppleShare has a secure GUI interface that the user uses to log on to the remote NFS file system and access files on a remote server. AppleShare performs better secured, faster, and easier to use than a FTP client. To use AppleShare, the user would simply:

- Go to "chooser" on any Mac
- Select AppleShare from the list of icons
- Choose the server you are trying to access
- Log-in using your account on that server

Once you are logged on your count will pop up in a window and you now have drag and drop access.

#### **Unix-to-PC connectivity:**

As apparent from the multitude of downloaded FTP applications on the PC's, there is a demand for a means of transferring files efficiently between your user account on the Apollo file server and the Gateway PC's. This has caused a build-up of FTP applications on some machines. On some of the machines there are even expired trial versions of some of these applications.

To eliminate this problem we turned to DiskAccess software from AccessNFS that allows drag and drop transfer of files between Unix and PC interfaces. We applied for a trial version of the DiskAccess software that was emailed to us, to test on a PC. DiskAccess uses NFS, or the Network File System, to communicate with Apollo and share files. Once DiskAccess connects to the server, all of the permissions and parameters of the Unix network are enforced.

To use DiskAccess is a simple process. Once it is installed, use Windows Explorer, Network Neighborhood, or File Manager to browse and connect to file systems located on Apollo. In Network Neighborhood, click NFS Network then DefaultLAN and choose the server you are trying to reach. Apollo can be reached by selecting its IP address (195.85.48.111) from the list. Then the user is free to navigate to their user account in the Student folder. You can even place shortcuts to frequently accessed NFS folders or files on the desktop.

#### **EMU Webmail:**

When our mentor, Mr. Robert Harris suggested that the networking team establish our own email server, we discussed what kind of service we would provide. We had several questions. Would we implement a web-based server or in-house post office? Would the email be stored on our server or on their present locations? How could we have a system with the speed required by the users? Which operating system would be most efficient for such a system? Would the system reside on Atlantis or Apollo?

#### **Choosing an Operating System**

First, an operating system had to be chosen. Ernest suggested that Windows NT was the system for the job. He has comfortable familiarity with the environment of Windows 95/98/NT. It was fairly reliable and he had more knowledge of it than any other operating system. Mr. Harris suggested Unix or Linux because of their reliability. Unix and Linux do not have the overhead that the Windows operating system has—as memory allocation for non-required programs. Another thing that convinced Ernest that a Unix or Linux program would worth our interest was that a recent graduate spoke of its use in corporate America. It would be good to utilize one of them in an actual application.

Now the choice came between Unix and Linux. If we were to use a web-based email server it would have to be run on Atlantis, which is on a Linux server. Linux is a complete operating system that is similar but not identical to UNIX. It runs on a variety of hardware, ranging from 486's/Pentiums/Pentium II's to hardware such PowerPCs, and Silicon Graphics workstations. Probably the most unique characteristic of Linux is that it is freely distributable. Freely distributable means that the source code for the kernel and most software cannot be withheld. This does not mean that companies cannot charge for it.

### **Choosing a Server**

An overriding factor in choosing the operating system is the server that we will be using. The operating system that is selected depends on the one the server is utilizing. The servers which ONR presently use are:

- Umfort - *umfort.cs.ecsu.edu*
- Nina - *nia.cs.ecsu.edu*, and
- Atlantis - *atlantis.cs.ecsu.edu*.

Umfort and Nina are Unix-based and are primarily production servers used for the Office of Naval Research site and email. Atlantis is the server that handles the Internet web courses for our secondary school partners. Given all the traffic on Umfort and Nina, Atlantis would be the optimum server.

### **Why Linux?**

In the past, the term Linux referred only to the kernel (the core of the operating system), but today the phrase itself refers to a collection of configured software that runs on top of the Linux kernel. These *collections of software* are known as distributions. Although these distributions often have their own unique attributes, they are essentially the same.

The easiest way to obtain a Linux distribution is to purchase a CD-ROM containing the software unless you have a fast Internet connection. Two American companies stand out in offering these distributions at incredibly cheap prices—Cheapbytes and LSL. They do not offer technical support. Red Hat 5.0 offers 30 days free technical support in installing their distribution. Apollo uses the Red Hat Linux Mandrake 7.0, which has an up-to-date distribution with some excellent utilities for configuring Linux; it has the best package manager (for easy installation and de-installation of software), and has wide support among the Linux community.

### **The Linux Operating System**

Linux is a free, stable, fast and easy to use operating system. Even if we aren't aware of it, we have probably used Linux indirectly. According to a web server survey performed by Netcraft, most www servers are running on Linux. While Linux is a very powerful server

operating system, it is not exclusively a server operating system. Linux is a very good Workstation/Home use operating system, as well.

After research the Linux operating, we learned several things about the operating system:

- Linux is a variation of Unix.
- A Linux Distribution has thousands of dollars worth of software for no cost (or a couple of dollars if purchased on CD)
- Linux is a complete operating system that is:
  - Stable - the crash of an application is much less likely to bring down the operating system under Linux
  - Reliable - Linux servers are often up for hundreds of days compared with the regular reboots required with a Windows system
  - Extremely powerful
- Comes with a complete development environment, including C, C++, and Fortran compilers, scripting languages such as Perl, Awk and sed.
- Networking facilities: allowing you to share CPUs, share modems etc; not included or available with Windows 95.
- The ideal environment to run servers such as a web server (e.g. Apache), or an FTP server.
- A variety of commercial software is available if your needs aren't satisfied by the free software.
- An operating system that is easily upgradeable
- Supports multiple processors as standard.
- True multi-tasking.
- An excellent window system called X; which is a more flexible equivalent of Windows.

## **Choosing a Web-based Email**

Web-based email is one of the great communications tools of the Internet. It basically is a way for you to send and receive email messages right on a Web page. This means not only that you no longer need an email application separate from your Web browser, but also that you can check your email from anywhere there's an Internet connection.

When you have a Web-based email account, your email box lives on an Internet server and can then be accessed from anywhere you can establish an Internet connection. Similarly, only an Internet connection is required to send or receive email.

Along with the convenience of being able to check your mail from anywhere, there's the attractiveness of free email, recent upgrades let you receive actual Web pages as email. HTML email is not a different service than Web-based email; it's simply an improvement in the quality of data that can be sent.

After choosing the server and operating system, we searched [www.linux-mandrake.com](http://www.linux-mandrake.com) and [linux.org](http://linux.org) for the best Linux email distribution. Following an exhausted search, Mr. Harris suggested we go ahead with EMU Webmail.

EMU Webmail has several features including:

- Enhanced interface
- POP3/IMAP4 mailboxes
- Multiple mailbox support
- Extensible address books
- Multiple SMTP hosts
- Support for embedded rfc822 attachments
- Use of custom MS Word conversion utility
- User-definable folders
- Optional outbox for sent messages
- Sortable message index
- Real-time Spam
- Printer-friendly e-mail
- Conversion of MS Word documents to text format
- Signature file on outbound messages
- Spell check
- Postponed messages
- Reply, quoted reply and Reply all
- Forward message
- FastCGI/mod\_perl compatible,

- NT/Unix versions
- Runs on any CGI-compatible

## Requirements of EMU Webmail

Before downloading EMU Webmail 4 it was suggested that our system meet the following basic system guidelines:

- Perl 5.005\_03. (Test version with perl -v)
- 64 MB of RAM.
- 100 MB of available disk space, 2 MB per user for storage.
- Existing POP3 or IMAP mail server populated with e-mail accounts.
- Existing SMTP server.
- WWW server capable of CGI.
- Internet connectivity.

## An Ideal Installation of EMU Webmail

The documentation stated that the ideal EMU Webmail could be installed using six simple steps. These were guidelines were only recommendations and are not requirements although following or exceeding these guidelines could make installation and use of the product relatively easy.

1. *Download and unpack the EMU Webmail 4 Distribution using*  
% gunzip distfile.tgz

2. *Setup Environment with Supporting Perl Files*

For EMU Webmail 4 to run properly, the system must have several supporting files freely available on the Internet. If the computer has all the necessary files, no files will be added to it. If files are missing or obsolete, the emuinstall program should fetch and attempt to install the latest files for you. All of the following installation steps must be executed as the administrator user (root). In the top directory of the distribution, execute the emuinstall program by typing:

```
# perl emuinstall
```

As the installed program runs, we were to pay careful attention for any error messages. Most error messages are harmless warnings, however if something goes wrong at a later step in the installation process, an improperly configured Perl module primarily caused it. After the emuinstall program finished we were returned to the command prompt, ready for the next step.

### *3. Create and populate the directory structure.*

The EMU Webmail 4 distribution contains two main directories: */html* and */data*. The */html* directory contains all the files that are accessible from the web server, including the main CGI file and all the images and help files. The */data* directory is composed of user directories, configuration files, and HTML template data that should not be accessible from the web server. Both the */html* and */data* directories were to be readable and writeable by the user your web server is running as (often the user *nobody*).

The contents of the distribution's */html* directory need to be copied to be in your web server's hierarchy. Create a directory inside this directory:

```
# mkdir /usr/local/apache/htdocs/emu
```

Next, we copied the distribution's */html* directory to the web server's directory that you just created:

```
# cp /html* /usr/local/apache/htdocs/emu
```

Now perform a similar set of steps for the */data* directory. First, we decide where to put the data directory. Make the directory by typing something similar to the following:

```
# rmdir /emudata
```

Then copy the contents of the distribution */data* directory to the newly created directory:

```
# ap /data* /emudata
```

The final step to populating these directories is to setup the security permissions. The */html* directory should have the same file permissions as your other files in your web server. After verifying this, set the file permissions on the */data* directory to restrict access to only the web server user:

```
# chown -R nobody data to change file ownership  
# chmod -R 750 data to change the permissions mode
```

### *4. Setup the *init.emu* file*

A file called `init.emu` unites the `/data` and `/html` portions of EMU Webmail 4 by telling the CGI program where to find the data directory:

```
# page_root=/emudata
```

#### *5. Testing the CGI file.*

Now that perl has been setup, the files have been copied to the correct locations, and the `ini.emu` file has united all parts of the program, it is time to test the program.

The following command should be issued in the `/htm`/ directory:

```
# ./nph-emurnail.cgi test"
```

If everything is setup correctly, HTML should have scrolled by and fill up the screen.

#### *6. View EMU Webmail 4 from a web browser*

The final step in the initial installation process is to view the program in action from a web browser.

Delete the `/tmp/emuerror` file if it exists:

```
rm /tmp/emuerror
```

After this is done we would ready to point a web browser to the location you placed the `/html` directory. If everything is running correctly you should be ready to run the program and start using web mail by EMU Webmail.

## **The Actual Installation**

### **Difficulties in installing EMUmail Webmail**

#### **RPM**

After the initial EMUmail download was complete, we got an error message stating that the version our rpm was incorrect. The RPM is the Red Hat Package Manager. It is used to install, upgrade, or remove a package. We also chose to search [www.rpm.org](http://www.rpm.org) and <http://www.linux-mandrake.com> as well as [emumail.com](http://emumail.com) for RPMs. The EMUmail website gave us two alternatives, we chose Module Pack for RedHat Linux 7.x i386.

## **FastCGI**

When EMUmail was running it seemed sluggish. It took quite a long time for the page to come up. EMUmail can enable Fastcgi in order to handle this problem. CGI for the uninitiated is an acronym that stands for the "Common Gateway Interface". CGI is the method that web servers use to communicate with programs that web developers write to respond to user input from the web. If you have ever filled out a form on the Internet to comment on a article or purchase something online chances are that, your input was processed by a CGI script in the background. FastCGI is a language independent, scalable, open extension to CGI that provides high performance without the limitations of server specific APIs. It provides higher performance by reusing processes to handle multiple requests.

The EMUmail documentation gave instructions that we used to install fastcgi:

- 1) Change the filename "emumail.cgi" to "emumail.fcgi".
- 2) In the file "site.emu", make these changes:
  - a) Change "emumail.cgi" to "emumail.fcgi" in the line containing "emu\_url>".
  - b) Set "use\_fastcgi = true" in the appropriate line.
- 3) Check that you have mod\_fastcgi.so in your home/emumail/modules directory.
- 4) Add these lines to your httpd.conf:
  - a) In the list of LoadModule directives:

```
LoadModule fastcgi_module home/emumail/modules/mod_fastcgi.so
```

FastCGI would theoretically increase the speed of our web page, and should have taken care of the problem. FastCGI had to be moved to a different directory in order to finish the necessary changes, however after it was moved, the Atlantis server went down. With the operating system not functioning we were unable to access the hard drive. Unlike Windows NT or Apple, we could not reinstall the operating system without loosing software other than system data. There were three things we could have done: reinstall Mandrake Red Hat 7.0 on Atlantis, install EMUmail on another system, or our place the hard drive on another system.

During the final meeting, our mentor, Robert Harris remembered that our hard drive, the Quantum 4550s, has a SCSI interface. Once it is removed, our hard drive could be connected with an IRIX system unit and the hard drive would be read. At this point, the FastCGI could be place at its original location. The only obstacle that stands in our way at this point is finding SCSI cable. Once this problem is resolved, EMUmail is expected to be completed within the week.

## **Conclusion**

The research has taught us the importance of flexibility, the power of Linux, and the availability of open source software. As a part of a research team, one should be flexible enough to adjust to a change and evolution. For the team this meant using a different

operating system, Linux. Linux is open source software with which the possibilities are virtually limitless. Linux is also very powerful. It is stable, reliable, and can maintain a robust server on a dated 386 computer. We were also astonished by the vast availability of open source software. There are variably tens of thousands of software titles available at little or no cost.

**Web resources:**

- Xinet- [www.xinet.com](http://www.xinet.com)
- Apple- [www.apple.com](http://www.apple.com)
- AccessNFS- [www.ssc-corp.com](http://www.ssc-corp.com)
- EMUmail- [www.emumail.com](http://www.emumail.com)
- Redhat- [www.redhat.org/](http://www.redhat.org/)
- Linux Online- [www.linux.org/](http://www.linux.org/)
- First Linux- [www.firstlinux.com/](http://www.firstlinux.com/)
- Linux.com- [www.linux.com/](http://www.linux.com/)
- EMUmail- [www.emumail.com/](http://www.emumail.com/)
- Foldoc- <http://foldoc.doc.ic.ac.uk/foldoc/index.html>

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## **Objective**

To become a member of a network team where my technical skills and experience can be used to full advantage; an opportunity with challenge and growth potential.

## **Summary of Experience**

Over one and a half decades of experience primarily as a contract employee in computing and network communications spanning legacy IBM mainframes running SNA to desktop workstations running TCP/IP and analog POTS circuits to digital ISDN and T1 circuits.

## **Work Experience Highlights**

1998 – Present Elizabeth City State University/Adnet Systems Elizabeth City, NC

### **NETWORK ENGINEER**

- Responsibilities include performing network and system administration in support of the NASA Network Resources and Training Site located in the Department of Math and Computer Science. Tasks include maintaining the network of Unix, MacIntosh and PC platforms. Serving as system administrator for the file, mail, web and threaded discussion servers. Evaluating and specifying Cisco Catalyst 2924 Enterprise switches to upgrade the network from 10mbps shared hubs to 100mbps managed switches. Evaluated, configured and implemented a Sun Screen EFS firewall to help secure the network. Recommended and implemented an Intel Team Station video conference system. Evaluated and implemented a 3Com Superstack 1500 remote access server for dial-up access onto the network.

1996 – 1998

InfiNet/Network Two

Norfolk, VA

### **NETWORK OPERATIONS ENGINEER**

- Performed turn-up, testing, troubleshooting and monitoring for over 100 points of presence for a national internet service provider. Hardware included Cisco routers, Lucent Technologies Portmaster and US Robotics Total Control remote access servers, Sun Sparc servers, Larse and Adtran CSU/DSUs, Telco circuits included POTs, loop start, wink-start and aggregate T1 and ISDN BRI and PRI. Filled-in for the Director of Telecommunications Engineering during an extended leave of absence.

1993 – 1995 U.S. Postal Service/Electrocom Automation Martinsburg, WV

### **SYSTEMS SPECIALIST**

- Responsible for maintaining, upgrading and troubleshooting the remote barcode image processing system and associated LAN/WAN network. System was primarily comprised of a DEC VAX server, Intel Multibus application specific CPUs, SCSI storage drives, Racal brouter, Intel workstations, Thick ethernet and point-to-point T1 circuits. Test equipment included Sniffer.

1990 - 1992 Department of Veterans Affairs/Opsys, Inc. Martinsburg, WV

**NETWORK ANALYST**

- Performed oversight functions for start-up of the nationwide 15,000 port Sprint based X.25 network for the Department of Veterans Affairs. These functions primarily consisted of writing and canning Oracle SQL reports for VA management. This provided for tracking, verification and reporting on the contractors deliverables in the areas of network implementation and build-out, trouble ticket tracking, traffic statistics and service credit calculations due to various types of network service interruptions.

1989 – 1990 Department of Energy/CDSI, Inc. Germantown, MD

**SENIOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANALYST**

- Specified and facilitated appropriate transmission mediums for end-user applications on the DOEs nationwide telecommunications system. Mediums included dedicated and switched telco links and satellite backbone with terrestrial-based switching nodes.

1988 City of New York/Boeing Computer Services New York, NY

**SENIOR NETWORK TECHNICIAN**

- Planning for rehoming of 5,000 IBM 3270 LUs from a multi-linked SNA environment to a more cost-effective single link SNA backbone. Duties included designing the Network Operations Center and writing test procedures.

1987 – 1988 Computer Sciences Corporation/ATR Herndon, VA

**NETWORK TECHNICIAN**

- Performed quality assurance for the vast number of cutovers to the X.25 based Consolidated Data Network (CDN) for the US Treasury Dept.. This included making sure that the various X.25 PADs, telco circuits, network hardware and software parameters were in place prior to the cutover window.

1985 – 1986 Hershey Chocolate Company Hershey, PA

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANALYST**

- Accomplished tasks included a 50% reduction in remote site switched access costs which entailed analyzing data link layer traffic followed by changing software parameters and hardware to operate in half-duplex mode. Reengineered and re-built a voice keyset system to integrate both voice-mail and data traffic. Responsible for troubleshooting chronic IBM SNA problems.

1981 – 1984 Northeast Regional Data Center/Univ. of Florida Gainesville, FL

**TELEPROCESSING TECHNICIAN**

- Handled various end-user and network related problems in the IBM mainframe SNA environment. Utilized, now Netview Products, NCCF and NPDA to control and manage the various domains, cross domains, PU and LU sessions. Installed 327X controllers, 3270 terminals, ASCII-dumb terminals and modems.

**Education**

1981 – 1983, Electrical Engineering, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

1977 – 1978, Electrical Engineering, N.C. A & T State Univ., Greensboro, NC

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EDUCATION

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Elizabeth City State University,  
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B.S., Computer and Information Sciences major,  
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College of the Albemarle,  
Elizabeth City, NC.  
A.A.S., Information Technologies  
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RESEARCH

**RESEARCHER**  
**STUDENT RESEARCHER**  
**07-1999**  
**Present**

Office of Naval Research,  
Elizabeth City State University,  
Elizabeth City, NC.  
Member of the System Administration and Networking Teams. Conducted research on Unix  
function and operation, installed SGI systems, and merged SGI onto a network server.

## **INTERNSHIP**

Summer 2000

JGOFS/ECSU,  
Elizabeth City, NC.  
Compiled and posted data sets on the Internet with the Joint Global Ocean Flux Study using  
HTML, JavaScript, and graphics.

COMPUTING

**Programming Languages:** C/C++, J++, JavaScript, Pascal, Fortran, HTML, COBOL, and SQL.  
**Applications:** WordPerfect, Microsoft Office, Aldus Page Maker and Photoshop, Mathematica, and Lotus 1-2-3.

**Operating Systems:** Unix, Windows 98/ 95/ 3.x, Linux and Macintosh.

## EXPERIENCE

**TAX PREPARER**  
01/1995-  
Present

Jackson Hewitt Tax Service,  
Elizabeth City, NC.  
Prepare tax forms on IBM compatibles on a seasonal basis, assist customers, support the telephone support line and upgrade IBM compatibles with JH software.

**NIGHT AUDIT  
MANAGER**  
06/1987-  
12/1994

**Omni Europa Hotel,  
Chapel Hill, NC .**  
Performed nightly accounting backups, balanced daily receipts,  
front desk customer service, assisted security, prepared daily accommodations and revenue  
reports, scheduled auditors, and interacted with area hotels.

SUPPORT  
TECHNICIAN  
06/1986-  
05-1987

Kelly Services/Northern Telecom, Inc.,  
Research Triangle Park, NC.  
Repaired, configured, and upgraded Hewlett-Packard 2627As. Interfaced  
extensively with screeners and assisted with hardware problems. Prepared productivity reports  
and monitored daily production. Set up password security log. Trained workers on the  
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## **OBJECTIVE**

Upon receiving my Bachelors Degree in Computer Science, (with a minor in Airway Science) I plan to continue my education by immediately attaining my Masters Degree, Followed by a PhD. I plan to put these Degrees to work in a successful career with a large corporation or organization in the computer technology field, such as NASA or NOAA, with whom I have interned, or a private company. Once I have established my career I will put these qualities to work profiting my own businesses.

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

NASA- ONR (Office of Naval Research) Researchers Program

- Networking Team
- System Administration Team
- HTML/JAVA Team

Top Teens of America, San Antonio Metropolitan Area Chapter

- Chairman of Beautification
- Administrative Assistant
- Top Teen Athlete Award

Elizabeth City State University

- Property Committee
- Honors Program
  - Mentor Program Chairperson
- Golf Club/Team

PALS

- Debutante Escort

NAACP

- Co-Chairman of Membership

## **EDUCATION**

HIGH SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

*MacArthur High School*

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*San Antonio, TX.*

COLLEGE

CURRENT SENIOR

*Elizabeth City State University*

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## INTERNSHIPS

GOHFAS- GODDARD HOWARD FELLOWSHIP IN ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCE 2000 w/ NOAA

- NORTH AMERICAN MONSOON EXPERIMENT (NAME)
- UNIFIED PRECIPITATION DATASETS
- MEXICAN PRECIPITATION DATASETS

(NASA) LARSS- LANGLEY AEROSPACE RESEARCH SUMMER SCHOLARS 1999

OFFICE OF NAVAL RESEARCH (ONR)

- REMOTE ACCESS SERVER
- SUNSCREEN EFS FIREWALL
- CISCO SWITCHES
- INTEL TEAMSTATION VIDEOCONFERENCING SYSTEM
- UNIX CONNECTIVITY (WITH PC & MAC)
- SENSORSOFT CLIMATE MONITORING

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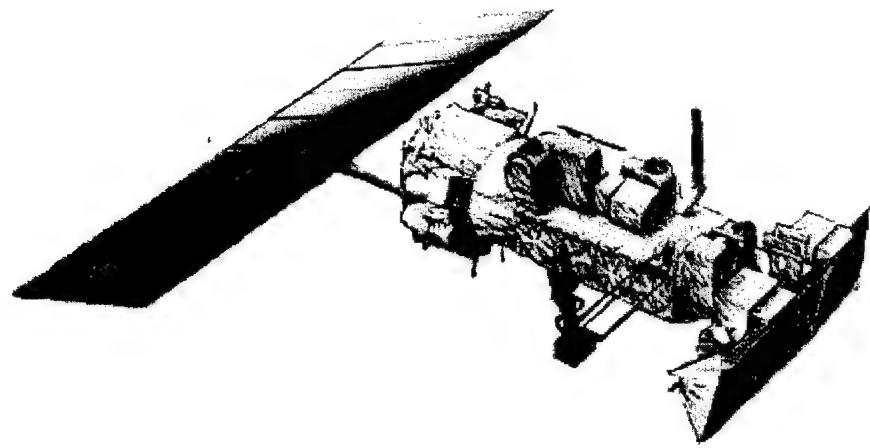
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## **Abstract**

The Satellite Imagery Team will use AVHRR (Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer) to assist research in determining whether health concerns in aquatic recreational areas exist and identify sources of concern. In addition, AVHRR information will be utilized to identify the location of primary nurseries, the reasons for deterioration; this includes the adverse effects upon the fishing industry. Ground truthing will be used to determine the applicability of AVHRR to define present biological, chemical, and geochemical conditions in the wetland aquatic environments of a coastal biome.

Researchers will monitor radiometer readings by manipulation of CoastWatch data software for retrieving primary nursery locations, determining quantitative data on aquatic reproduction fish, and investigating locations of ditches and canals in prescribed areas of the Dismal Swamp and their current relationship to human activities.

The impact on CoastWatch usage is enormous on the economy of North Carolina. An important relationship exists between clean health environments and public health. A healthy environment will most certainly result in less strain on public health related budgets. Coastal fishing and shell fishing is 90 percent dependent on primary nurseries and the wetland which control nursery health. Near-ocean fishing is 70 percent dependent. The fishing industry generates 1.5 billion dollars plus annually. A clean water environment is also mandatory for the booming tourist industry of Northeastern North Carolina, and this factor adds many millions of dollars to the economic well being of the state. Research efforts on behalf of the Visualization Team with the use of cutting edge technology such as AVHRR will enlighten as well as inform citizens of North Carolina for a lifetime.

## Review of Software

CoastWatch is a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) program that provides remotely sensed satellite and other environmental data to government decision makers and academic researchers. CoastWatch data is used in a variety of ways including: monitoring sea surface temperature, studying fish and marine mammal distributions, and aiding in atmospheric forecasting.

The primary data source for CoastWatch is Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR) on the NOAA series polar orbiting weather satellites. The AVHRR sensor measures radiance from the earth in five bands or channels with 1.1 km resolution at nadir.

Channel	Wavelength Band	Primary Use
1	0.58-0.68 (visible)	Daytime cloud, snow and ice mapping data
2	0.72-1.10 (near-IR)	Surface water delineation, vegetation and agriculture assessments
3	3.55-3.93 (infrared)	Nighttime cloud mapping, sea surface temperature measurements, land and water distinctions, and hot spot detection such as volcanic activity and forest fires
4	10.30-11.30 (infrared)	Cloud mapping sea and land surface temperature measurements, and soil moisture and volcanic eruption data
5	11.50-12.50 (infrared)	Sea surface temperature measurements and soil moisture data

Satellite estimates of sea surface temperature (SST) are made by converting the radiance measured in the infrared channels to brightness temperature and then using a multi-channel technique to calculate SST to within +0.5 degrees Celsius. Cloud identification masks are also created using visible and infrared channels with a series of spectral gradient, difference, and threshold tests.

AVHRR is a scanner that senses in the visible, near-infrared, and thermal infrared portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. A VHRR data is acquired in three formats: High Resolution Picture Transmission (HRPT), Local Area Coverage (LAC), and Global Area Coverage (GAC). HRPT data are full resolution image data transmitted to a ground station as they are collected. The average instantaneous field-of-view of 1.4 milliradians

yields a HRPT ground resolution of approximately 1.1 km at the satellite nadir from the nominal orbit altitude of 833 km (517 miles). LAC are full resolution data that are recorded on an on board tape for subsequent transmission during a station overpass. The average instantaneous field-of-view of 1.4 milliradians yields a LAC ground resolution of approximately 1.1 km at the satellite nadir from the nominal orbit altitude of 833 km (517 miles). GAC data are derived from a sample averaging of the full resolution AVHRR data. Four out of every five samples along the scan line are used to compute one average value and the data from only every third scan line are processed, yielding 1.1 km by 4 km resolution at the subpoint.

The AVHRR sensor provides global on board collection of data from all spectral channels. Each pass of the satellite provides a 2399 km wide swath. The satellite orbits the Earth 14 times each day from 833 km (517 miles) above the surface.

The average instantaneous field-of-view of 1.4 milliradians yields a LAC/HRPT ground resolution of approximately 1.1 km at the satellite nadir from the nominal orbit altitude of 833 km. The GAC data are derived from an on board sample averaging of the full resolution AVHRR data yielding 1.1 km by 4 km resolution at nadir.

To access CoastWatch data requires a username and password. They are obtained by filling out an online registration form and agreeing to the provisions. Users are then notified by e-mail of their user name and password. Once registered CoastWatch users can download data files for use with CoastWatch software packages, plotting data using the online preview, or converting data to other data formats for use in GIS or scientific plotting packages.

A variety of software packages for DOS, Windows 95, and UNIX are available to manipulate and display CoastWatch data files. CoastWatch data is stored in a special binary format not recognized by normal image display programs.

NOAA CoastWatch sea surface temperature (SST) Images are produced on NEDIS' Central Environmental Satellite Computer System (CEMSCS) using data from AVHRR data four times daily for all the coastal waters of the United States. Near real-time data may be obtained from the Regional Nodes; retrospective data may be obtained from the Satellite Active Archive (SAA).

The Internet is used as the primary telecommunications pathway for digital data distribution. Once data is delivered to the CoastWatch Regional Nodes they become available for local use by state, local and federal marine scientists and decision makers. A growing number of federal, state, and local organizations are establishing a formal relationship with local CoastWatch Regional Nodes for routine timely access to CoastWatch image products. Retrospective availability of CoastWatch data products and buoy data are provided through a remotely accessible, near line system at SAA.

## **Introduction**

Several important topics were researched using CoastWatch data. These topics include: locating primary nurseries, determining data on aquatic reproduction of fish, shell fish, and plant life in nurseries, determining nutrient levels in aquatic environments, determining the location of ditches and canals in prescribed areas of the Dismal Swamp and their current value or relation to human activities, and determining the water table pulsing and surface water in the boardwalk area of the Dismal Swamp on a weekly schedule.

The Dismal Swamp is located in southeastern Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. It is densely forested and contains scattered natural elevations of 27 to 15 feet above sea level. Although the swamp is now only a fraction of its original size, it still exerts the same fascination that prompted generations to explore it, write about it, and try to conquer it. The original stand of virgin forest is gone. The last reported ancient tree with a twelve-foot diameter fell in July 1997 after being struck by lightning. The Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge was formed in 1974 when the Union Camp Corporation donated 49,000 acres of forested wetlands to The Nature Conservancy. The Refuge consists of over 107,000 acres, with Lake Drummond, a 3,100 acres natural lake in the center of the Swamp.

The overall bearings of the topics researched on the economy of North Carolina are enormous. Coastal fishing and shell fishing are 90 percent dependent on primary nurseries and the wetlands that control nursery health. Wetlands perform as natural filters that clean the nutrients and sediments from waters that drain into the estuaries.

Near ocean fishing is 70 percent nursery dependent. The fishing industry generates 1.5 billion dollars plus annually. A clean water environment is also mandatory for the tourist industry of northeast North Carolina, and this factor adds many millions of dollars to the economic well being of the state.

## **Aquatic Reproduction of Plant Life, Fish and Shell Fish**

There is usually a definite competition that takes place in an aquatic community between the algal and rooted plants for available space and nutrients. The balance between the two is delicate and the addition of excessive nutrients to the system favors the overpopulation of the phytoplankton. There is evidence that dense stands of submersed rooted aquatic plants may bind up nutrient materials throughout the growing season so that they are not available for production of phytoplankton and the organisms that feed upon phytoplankton, this means that although fish hatches would be large, the chances for larval survival would be greatly diminished. The survival rate of fish beyond forage size is inversely proportional to the size of fish that reach maturity. Fish are involved in a number of stimulus-response reactions that lead directly to the act of spawning. The action of plants as triggers in spawning does not seem to be a well-studied area.

Temperature varies in ponds and lakes seasonally. During the summer, the temperature can range from four degrees near the bottom to twenty-two degrees at the top. During the winter, the temperature at the bottom can be four degrees while the top is 0 degrees (ice). In between two layers, there is a narrow zone called the thermo cline where the temperature of water changes rapidly. During the spring and fall seasons, there is a mixing of the top and bottom layers, usually due to winds, which results in a uniform water temperature of around four degrees. This mixing also circulates oxygen throughout the lake. Of course there are many lakes and ponds that do not freeze during the winter, thus the top layer would be a little warmer.

The Nu-Quality seafood restaurant helped out our research a lot. By talking to one of the managers, it was a big help to us. The manager informed us that their business usually deals with the Albemarle and Currituck Sound when they send their boats out to

search for various aquatic products for their business. He also mentioned that depending on what type of aquatic animal it is determines the season on which it is best to navigate the sound. Also over the past few years he mentioned that production was improving.

Located in the sound are indeed nurseries for many fish. Sunlight penetrates shallow water. Creeks, swamps and marshes supply organic matter that is converted to nutrients. These nutrients, in turn, feed growths of algae, or phytoplankton, that are the foundation of the food web. As plankton bloom in Sound waters, striped bass, shad and herring swim upriver to spawn. When the eggs hatch, the young drift downstream to feast on a ready-made food supply. At the same time, Atlantic croaker and spot are spawning in the ocean. Their youngsters drift into the Sound and settle in shallow bays and coves to feed. This all works to a rhythm of sun and seasons, which has been perfected over millennia. The sound is host to resident fish, too, those that live here year-round. Catfish and perch have become important resources as traditional catches of herring and striped bass have declined. And as salt water creeps toward western shores in dry summers, commercial and recreational fishermen alike seek the blue crab.

At least 17 kinds of waterfowl spend the winter here, including Canada and snow geese, black duck and scaup.

### **Canals and Ditches in Prescribed Areas of the Dismal Swamp and their Current Value to Human Activities**

In addition to the importance of aquatic life in the Dismal Swamp there are several other attributes that demonstrate its value and importance to humans and species.

The Great Dismal Swamp is composed of several ditches and canals. A ditch is defined as a long narrow channel dug in the ground, usually used for drainage or irrigation. Canals are defined as artificial waterway for use of shipping, for irrigation, or for recreational use. They may also be part of natural rivers along its course.

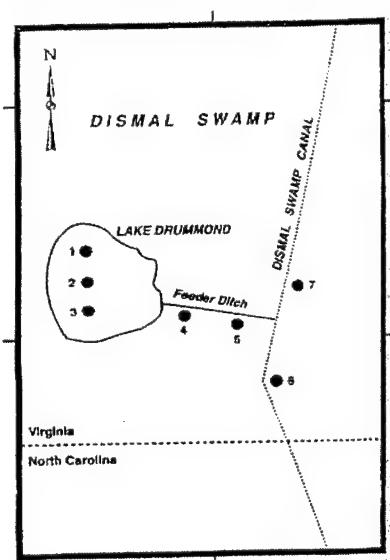
The Dismal Swamp Canal is among the many canals and ditches located in the Dismal Swamp. The Dismal Canal connects the Chesapeake Bay in Virginia via the Elizabeth River and the Albemarle Sound in North Carolina via the Pasquotank River. This is the oldest man-made canal in the United States. In 1794 digging of the canal began and was completed after twenty-two years of back-breaking work. Slaves from

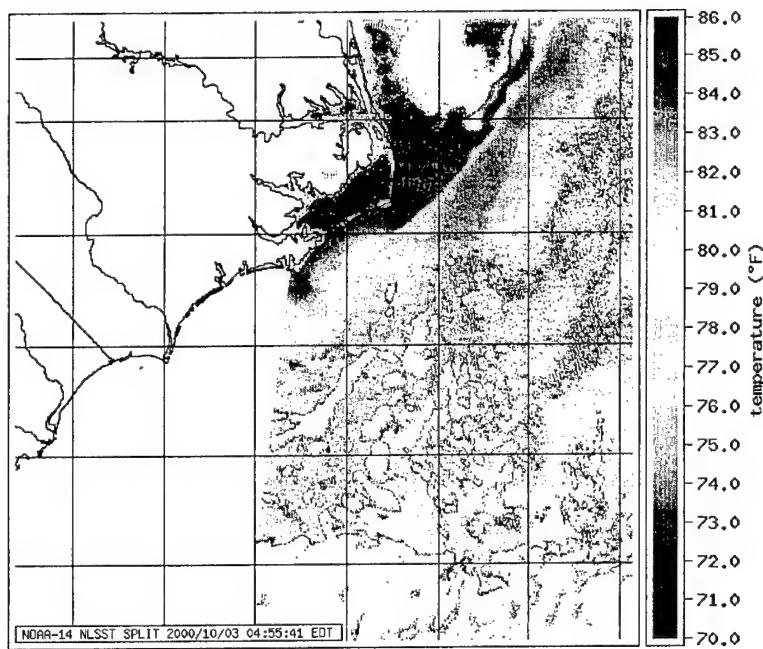
nearby owners dug the entire river by hand. By 1820 the canal was recognized as an important part of commercial traffic between Virginia and North Carolina. In the 1860's and the onset of the Civil War put the canal in an important strategic position for Union and Confederate forces. Wartime activity left the canal in a terrible state and disparately needing repair.

In addition to the Dismal Swamp canal the Dismal Swamp contains the Cross Canal and the Branch Canal. There are also numerous ditches including the Railroad, Jericho, East, Portsmouth, Spillway Feeder, Laurel, Myrtal, and Western to name a few.

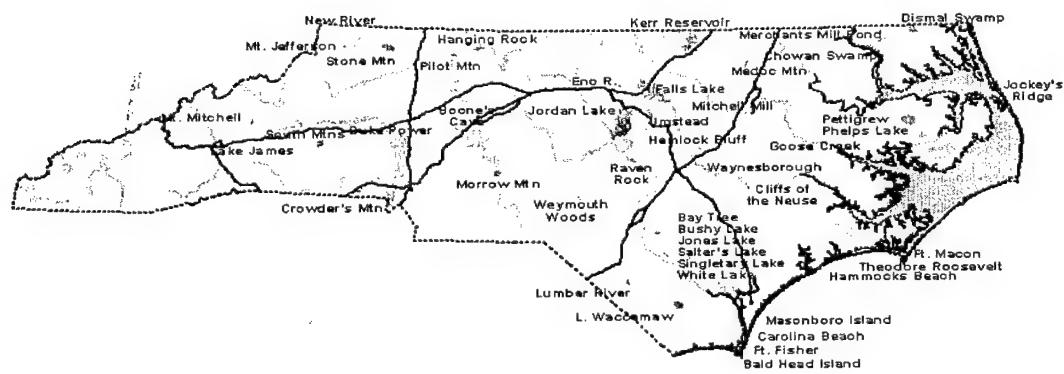
Lake Drummond has a shallow basin within the central region of the Dismal Swamp. The lake basin is round and possibly originated from a deep burn of the peat. Excessive drainage and rainfall into the lake result in water leaving the lake through a spillway located at its eastern margin and entering the feeder ditch, and flowing directly into the Dismal Swamp Canal. During periods of excessive use and water or summer droughts, the water in the canal often decreases to a level that will not allow the passage of boats. In past cases water from the lake has been used to maintain its operation.

With use of the CoastWatch data these ditches and canals were not able to be located. The primary use for the CoastWatch datasets available is to analyze sea surface temperatures. The level of detail available is not a resolution conducive to projects requiring high levels of detail. As you can see in the figure 1.1 the dataset represents the eastern portion of North Carolina. A topographic map is also represented in figure 1.2 to insure a clear understanding of the proximity of the Dismal Swamp using CoastWatch data.





**Figure 1.1 CoastWatch Dataset for November 2000**



**Figure 1.2 Topographic map of North Carolina**

Using an aerial photo is more appropriate for locating ditches and canals. If CoastWatch data is to be used for analyzing ditches and canals it should be done in addition to other geospatial data. Figure 1.3 is an example of an image from the east coast on March 26, 2000 using MODIS satellite data. This data allows you to clearly distinguish fluvial systems that are inland.

While CoastWatch can't be used to determine the location of ditches and canals it does have several indirect advantages to aid in analyzing the swamp. The water in the Dismal Swamp must be at a temperature that will provide a comfortable environment for species and one that will enable the growth of plants and vegetation in the swamp. If the water temperature becomes too low or high animals may die or be forced to migrate to a different habitat. Many animals such as the musk rat for example, digs burrows near ditches. Ditches and Canals make up a very important part of the species habitat.

While ditches and canals are important to the swamp they also have had several adverse effects on the swamp. Constructed canals combined with agricultural runoff, and lumbering operations have deteriorated the effective role that the swamp plays in providing clean water runoff at controlled rates for the estuaries and primary nurseries along their fringes. Without these controls the nurseries will cease to function, and most of the animal life in the coast of North Carolina will disappear.

Currently humans reap several advantages to ditches, canals and Lake Drummond. These activities include birding, hiking, biking, fishing, boating, hunting, wildlife observation, and photography. Some of these activities are due to the array of species and wildlife that make up the swamp.

The Swamp supports a variety of mammals, including otter, bats, raccoon, mink, gray and red foxes, gray squirrel, white-tailed deer, black bears and bobcats. Three



Figure 1.3 MODIS satellite data

species of poisonous snakes and 18 non-poisonous snakes can also be found in the Dismal Swamp. The poisonous snakes are the cottonmouth, canebrake, and rattler.

Some of the plants found in the swamp include the dwarf trillium, silky camellia, and log fern. The dwarf trillium is located in the northwestern section of the swamp and blooms briefly each year for a two-year period in March. Silky camellia is found on hardwood ridges and in the northwestern corner of the refuge. The long fern, one of the rarest American fern, is more common in the Great Dismal Swamp than anywhere else.

Over two hundred species of birds have been identified on the refuge since its establishment; ninety-three of these species have been reported nesting on the refuge. Two southern species, the Swanson's warbler and the Wayne's warbler, are very common in the Dismal Swamp. Other birds include the wood duck, barred owl, pileated woodpecker, and prothonotary warbler.

In 1973 the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge was created. Before the refuge was established the swamp underwent several stages of change and deterioration. One of these changes took place when over 140 miles of roads were constructed to provide access to timber in the swamp. These roads greatly disturbed the swamps water flow, since the ditches were dug to provide dirt for the road beds drained water from the swamp. The roads also blocked the flow of water across the swamps surface, flooding some areas of the swamp with stagnant water.

The primary purpose of the refuge is to restore and maintain the natural biological diversity that existed prior to human-caused alterations. Essential to the swamp ecosystem are its water resources, native vegetation communities, and varied wildlife species. Water is now being conserved and managed by placing water control structures in the ditches. Plant community diversity is being restored and maintained through forest management activities that simulate the ecological effects of wildfires. Wildlife is managed by insuring the presence of required habitats, with hunting used to balance some wildlife populations with available food supplies.

There are five major forest types and three non-forested types of plant communities that comprise the swamp vegetation. Atlantic White-Cedar, Maple-Black Gum, Tupelo-Bald Cypress, and Sweet Gum-Oak poplar make up the major forested types.

The Atlantic White Cedar is a moderate to slow growing tree that may live for more than 1,000 years. It flowers in early spring, and the fruits mature in one growing season. Seed production usually begins when the trees are five to ten years old. In the 1700s the wood was used for log cabins, roof shingles, barrels, and boats. But this soon depleted the limited supply. Then it was learned that fallen tree trunks that had been buried for many years could be used because the wood was still in excellent condition. Other uses have included piers, telephone poles, piling, and ties. The non-forested types include a remnant marsh, a sphagnum bog, and evergreen shrub community. Currently red maple is the most abundant and widely distributed plant communities due to the lingering effects of past forest cutting, extensive draining, and the exclusion of forest fires. Tupelo-bald cypress and Atlantic White-Cedar, formerly predominant forest types in the swamp, today account for less than 20 percent of the total cover.

In addition to the deteriorations of the swamp previously discussed the Great Dismal Swamp has been drastically altered by several other human activities. Commercial and residential development destroyed much of the swamp, so that the remaining portion within and around the refuge represents less than half of the original size of the swamp.

Using Landsat satellite data from different years can demonstrate which areas were burned. Using GOES-8 satellite data can detect areas while they are in the process of burning.

## **Conclusion**

There are several factors that may have contributed to our results. Some of these factors may have included cloud cover, tree cover and the size of ditches and canals.

The Dismal Swamp plays a very important part in the lives of a wide range of species as well as humans. It is imperative that we continue to protect it by setting and enforcing rules and regulations, as well as monitoring it with the use of a wide range of sophisticated technology. CoastWatch combined with other forms of geospatial data and ground truthing will aid in monitoring and correcting problems that may have adverse effect on the swamp.

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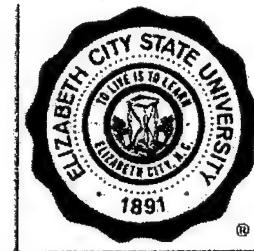
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The primary focus of this research was to make connections between mathematics and the existing Great Dismal Swamp research projects that assisted us in developing lesson plans for students in grades pre-K through grade 2. The Mathematics of the Great Dismal Swamp Team reviewed results of faculty and student research projects to identify sources used in the mathematics preparation of children at this grade level. We then produced educational lessons, which incorporated mathematical concepts from the data collected.

We realize the importance of the mathematical developments, which occur in students in grade pre-k through grade 2. Thus, this project was designed to build on the curiosity and enthusiasm of children as it relates to the study of mathematics. Appropriate mathematical experiences were designed to challenge young children to explore ideas related to data analysis and probability, measurement, mathematical connections, algebraic concepts, and numerical operations. The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics lists these topics as those which young children should be exposed to as early as pre-k through grade 2.

The lessons developed have been produced on a folded poster and submitted to NASA's Earth Science product review committee. The review criteria and guidelines are available at <http://www.strategies.org/ESEReview.html>. The team worked closely with the multimedia team, whose research project will produce the image of the Swamp to be displayed on the front of the poster.

Revised: April 11, 2001

## **Lesson Plan Topic 1: Algebra**

### **A. State the Standard.**

In creating a lesson plan for grades Pre-K through grade 2 in the subject Algebra, we first had to go to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) website (<http://www.nctm.org>) to learn the standards. We found that the elementary level standards outlined the same topics as all other grade levels, but simplify the material covered. Some of these objectives outlined were: (1) Analyze how both repeating and growing patterns are generated. (2) Illustrate general principles and properties of operations, and (3) Sort, classify, and order objects by size, number, and other properties. With these and many other objectives outlined in the NCTM standards, we chose to focus on the following objective: to enable the students to use mathematical language and symbols to express numerical and other relationships. (Algebra Standards 1)

### **B. What Initial Ideas Were Conceptualized.**

When we first started brainstorming this topic, we were completely lost. So many ideas were running through our heads. Our question was, "How in the world are we supposed to come up with a lesson plan suitable for the target grades on a high school level topic?" However, the NCTM standard cleared this up for us.

After much research, we learned that children develop concepts related to algebra even before formal schooling. They develop this concept through repetitive songs, rhythmic chants, and predictable poems. Their observations and discussions of how quantities relate to each other signal the representation of mathematical situations. After many revisions to the lesson plan, we finally created a well-prepared lesson.

### **C. Algebra Lesson Plan Review.**

Although there are many different animals found in the Great Dismal Swamp, we narrowed the selection down to three groups: birds, snakes, and turtles. To tie the two topics of mathematics and the Great Dismal Swamp together, we have the children solve basic mathematical problems such as  
4 turtles + How many snakes = 10 reptiles.

The first thing we did was outline the lesson goal, which is to use mathematical language and symbols to express numerical and other relationships. We follow that up with the introduction to the topic, which outline the different animals that inhabit the Great Dismal Swamp. During this time, the teacher is to provide an exercise, such as giving the students basic information about each of the animals presented. The teacher should then break the class into three groups assigning a name to each group. The teacher shall use: snakes, birds, and turtles for group names.

The lesson plan is divided into two days. The teacher is to use the “Mathematics of the Great Dismal Swamp” poster, however, the teacher may elect to go to the Internet and find the pictures. The first day will consist of the actual division of students into respective groups. The teacher is to give each group three pictures of different types of animals according to their group name (i.e. Bird Group: three different types of birds). The teacher is to then provide background information about each animal. Then, have three students from each group report to the class about the animals that were in their group and post the animal pictures on the board. Also, the lesson plan has made it optional for the teacher to ask students to research the animals in more detail.

The next day, with the pictures still posted on the board, have a student from each group give a fact or two on the animal in his/her group. Using the animals as symbols or variables, create mathematical problems for the students to solve (i.e. 4 turtles + How many snakes = 10 reptiles). Have the students return to their group and assign two or three problems to each group. Ask a student from each group to present one math problem to the class and explain how they arrived to that answer.

#### D. How the Lesson Plan Relates to the Great Dismal Swamp.

In the lesson plan, we use animals that are inhabitants of the Great Dismal Swamp. We use these animals to show the basic principles of addition and subtraction, along with showing the student that we can use animals or variables to represent numbers.

### **Lesson Plan Topic 2: Connections.**

#### A. State the Standard.

The standard for connections, as stated by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, says that the most important connection for early mathematics development is between the intuitive, informal mathematics that the student has learned through their personal experiences and the mathematics being learned in school. Also, it states that all other connections between one mathematical concept and another mathematical concept are supported by the link between the students’ informal experiences and more-formal mathematics. (Connections 1)

#### B. What Initial Ideas Were Conceptualized.

In the beginning of the project, my two original lesson plan topics were Problem Solving and Representation. After the first lesson plan Problem Solving was finished I ran into my first obstacles with Representation: While trying to compose a lesson plan for Representation, I was having trouble coming up with a classroom activity that was not to advance for grades Pre-K through grade 2. Looking back at the original ten Standards stated by the National Council Teachers of Mathematics, we decided to use Connections instead of Representation.

#### C. Connections Lesson Plan Review.

The lesson plan’s central objective is to teach students in the elementary grades the basic concepts of connections. In the lesson plan created, the primary goals were to (1) Enable

students to understand how mathematics ideas interconnect and build on one another to produce a coherent whole, (2) Recognize and apply mathematics in contexts outside of mathematics (3) Enable students to use mathematics of patterns to investigate and quantify syllables in names.

Before the teacher introduces the lesson, the students should have knowledge on what a syllable is. First the teacher will give a list of animals that live in the swamp to the class. The teacher will then clap out a name of an animal (one clap for each syllable) on the list. The teacher should then ask the class if they could figure out what animal was clapped out. They will realize that the clapping matches the names of several animals. The classroom will then begin to determine which animals had the same number of claps in their names.

To make this easier, draw a chart and add the animals' names as the class identifies the number of beats in a name. Have the students come up with equations with the number of syllables in each word. Example: Black Bear ( $1+1=2$ ), Woodpeckers minus frog ( $3-1=2$ ).

#### D. How Does It Relate to the Great Dismal Swamp

This lesson plans relates to the Great Dismal Swamp by using animals names' that live in swamp, so the students can clap out each syllable in the animals name.

### **Lesson Plan Topic 3: Data Analysis and Probability**

#### A. State the Standard.

The standard for Data Analysis and Probability as stated by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, <http://www.nctm.org/document/chapter4/data.html>, says that "comparing, classifying, and counting activities can provide the mathematical beginnings for developing young learners' understanding of data, analysis of data, and statistics." It also states that, "students should pose questions to investigate, organize responses, and create representations of their data."

The data analysis and probability standard also discusses ways to formulate questions that can be addressed through the collection and organization of relevant data to answer questions. It states that students in the early grades have "an inclination to ask questions" and it must be nurtured. At the same time, as stated the the NCTM Standard, the teacher "should help [students] develop ways to gather information to these questions, so that they learn how to make decisions on the basis of data." (Data Analysis and Probability 1)

With respect to organization of data, the NCTM Standards states that data should begin with informal sorting experiences, such as helping to put away groceries; an activity that a student at this age level can visual understand. These experiences and conversations should focus the student's attention on the characteristics of the objects, therefore creating an understanding of the concept "things that go together."

#### B. What Initial Ideas Were Conceptualized

In the beginning of this project, we came up with several ideas that we believed would tie into the mathematics standards and the Great Dismal Swamp. One of the first ideas conceptualized was having students be able to identify different types of trees that are found in the Great Dismal Swamp, such as the Loblolly Pine and the Bald cypress. After the students learned about the trees, they were then asked to identify characteristics of the leaves found on the trees, and place them into groups such as large, small, green, brown, followed by showing a representational graph of the characteristics. The reason why this lesson was not used was because we felt that the lesson in and of itself was too advanced with respect to the information asked of the student. We too believe that it also would have been better served in another mathematical lesson topic, reasoning and proof.

### C. Data Analysis and Probability Lesson Plan Review

The lesson plan's central objective is to teach student in the elementary grades the basic concept of data analysis and probability. In the lesson plan created, the primary goals were to (1) Enable students to sort and classify wildlife found in the Great Dismal Swamp according to their attributes (i.e. color and size) and organize data about the wildlife, and (2) Enable students to represent data using concrete objects, pictures, and graphs and formulate questions that can be addressed with this data. These primary goals are flexible for the teacher to manipulate in whatever way he/she feels is adequate for his/her classroom setting.

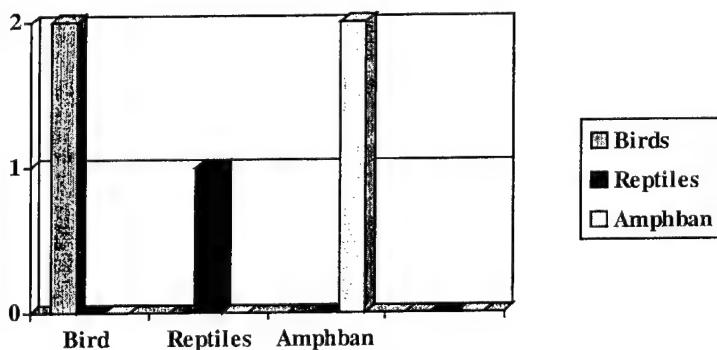
The teacher should set aside time before the formal introduction of the lesson to capture the attention and interest of the student, by telling them about the topic to be discussed and how it can relate to a practical application in the students life. The teacher may use short activities, problems, or other appropriate means to further discuss and demonstrate the student's current knowledge of the given topic. The information gained from this opening session will enable the teacher to build upon the understanding of the students. The time length for any session before entrance into the main lesson is at the teacher's discretion according to the level of understanding the students have toward the given topic.

The teacher, in addition, is to provide opportunities for students to solve problems, to make, explain, and defend answers, and to extend their knowledge by making generalizations. These opportunities are again to be within reason with respect to the age group of the student. When we say, "defend answers", unlike a dissertation for a doctoral student or a thesis from a master's degree candidate, the student is only expected to give a generalized answer that is reasonable or at least conceivable.

In this lesson of data analysis and probability, in which we decided to focus on data analysis, we ask the students to be able to sort and classify wildlife found in the Great Dismal Swamp. The first thing that the lesson plan suggests is that the teacher pin up the "Mathematics of the Great Dismal Swamp" poster in a location that can be seen by the students. However, in recognizing that the poster can only be so big, in the resources section of the poster, the teacher may elect to find the pictures of these animals on the internet, and they can enlarge the pictures to what they deem is appropriate. On the poster are five pictures of animals found in the Great Dismal Swamp. Two of the

animals are birds: the Carolina Chickadee and the Carolina Wren; two amphibians: Bullfrog and Southern Leopard Frog; and one reptile: the Eastern Box Turtle. Some students may not be familiar with birds, reptiles, and amphibians. In this case, the teacher is to use an introductory activity to introduce these classifications of animals. Then, the teacher is to ask the students to group the animals by these classes (i.e. bird, reptile, amphibian). After the students have sorted these animals, the teacher is to ask the students how many of each type of animal (bird, amphibians, and reptiles) do they see. It should be two birds, two amphibians, and one reptile.

By this time, the student has sorted and classified the group of animals. This meets the first lesson goal outlined in this lesson plan. Next, the student is asked to draw a bar graph representing each animal and representing the number of each animal on the same bar graph. The teacher should give step-by-step instructions on how to draw the bar graph. On the x-axis, the teacher is to place the names of the names and on the y-axis place the numbers 1 through 4. A copy of the following graph is also on the lesson plan, to show the teacher how the graph should look.



At the closure of this lesson, the teacher is to ask questions based upon the graph that they have drawn. Questions such as: According to the graph, how many animals are represented? According to the graph, how many reptiles are there? According to the graph, how many birds are there? According to the graph, how many amphibians are there? The teacher should also ask which animal has the most and lease representation on the graph. The students should see something very interesting when asked this. They should see that there are an equal number of birds and amphibians.

#### D. How the Lesson Plan Relates to the Great Dismal Swamp

In the lesson plan, the main objects used to incorporate the standard of data analysis and probability is the five animals that are found in the Great Dismal Swamp. These animals as stated earlier are: the Carolina Chickadee, the Eastern Box Turtle, the Bullfrog, the Carolina Wren, and the Southern Leopard Frog. The lesson plan was targeted to address the Great Dismal Swamp, but only addresses animals found in the swamp. The teacher is strongly encouraged to research the animals outlined to expound on this lesson.

## **Lesson Plan Topic 4: Measurement**

### **A. State the Standard**

There were several expectations and standards stated for measurement for grade levels pre-kindergarten through second grade listed on the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) website: <http://www.nctm.org>. We used a portion of each of the stated standards by having the students to “recognize the attributes of length...” and “compare and order objects according to these attributes.” Students are expected to “understand how to measure using nonstandard and standard units.” (Measurement 1) Duplicates of the same units will be used. The students will “develop common referents of measurement to make comparisons and estimates.” (Measurement 1)

### **B. What Initial Ideas Were Conceptualized**

While brainstorming ideas of what would make a good lesson, we came up with a few solid ideas. Measurement is a part of most math classes. At an early age, students are exposed to measurement standards. One of our first ideas was to refer to a few plants located in the swamp, such as those of the black gum or even pine tree. The students would measure the leaves of the trees using a nonstandard tool and standard tool. Then they would compare the two methods used. The importance of standard measurement would then be introduced. Another idea was to talk about a couple of animals that most children are familiar with that are located in the swamp, such as deer, turtles, squirrels, bears, or birds. The sizes of the animals would be compared and contrasted. Our final idea was to focus on one animal that the students could easily relate to. The length of this same animal would be measured, and the results of the students would be analyzed.

### **C. Measurement Lesson Plan Review**

The measurement lesson plan was centered on finding the length of a turtle. There were three learning goals. One, the student will be exposed to different methods of linear measurement. Two, the student will recognize the importance of standard measurement. Three, the student will develop similar references for measures to make comparisons and estimations. These goals should be achieved throughout the lesson.

The teacher was given a short introduction to the topic, followed by brief information to share with the students. Information about turtles should be given to the students. For example, the students should be informed, “There are over 200 types of turtles throughout the world. Yellow-bellied and spotted turtles are found often in the swamp.” To make the lesson more interested, real turtle shells or turtles should be brought in for the students to see. A picture of a spotted turtle has been provided on the lesson plan.

The classroom activity had several steps that should be used at the discretion of the teacher. First, the students are asked to draw their own turtles. Second, the students are separated into small groups (2-5 students). Next, pieces of thread are passed out to half of the groups of students. The other half of the groups should be given paper clips. Then, the teacher is asked to show the students how to measure the length of the turtle from head to tail, using the items given. The teacher should show the students how to link paper clip links to find the length and mark off thread. After the students have measured their turtles, each group should bring their paper clip links and thread to a specific location, such as a table.

The students should be allowed to examine the results of each other's measurement results by comparing lengths of thread and paper clip links. Then, the standard measurement unit of the centimeter should be introduced by way of measurement tape or a ruler. The teacher is then suggested to select students from each group to measure a turtle in centimeters. As closure, the students will review what they've learned about turtles and the Great Dismal Swamp. Lining the turtles on a display, such as a log would be a nice way for the students to show off their work. Finally, the teacher may ask the students to explain orally or in writing, how to measure a turtle.

#### **D. How the Lesson Plan Relates to the Great Dismal Swamp**

This lesson is centered on turtles. Turtles are animals that live in the swamp and other places throughout the world. Spotted and yellow-bellied turtles are often seen in the swamp. We decided to use this animal because most students can identify with turtles. The teacher is also given websites for more information on turtles and the Great Dismal Swamp.

### **Lesson Plan Topic 5: Numbers and Operations**

#### **A. State the Standard.**

We found several goals and expectations for the Numbers and Operations Standards from the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) website (<http://www.nctm.org>). Its first goal was to instruct the student to understand numbers by means of representation, relationships, and systems of numbers. The expectations for the grade levels of pre-kindergarten through second grade went as follows. They are expected "to count with understanding and recognize "how many" in sets of objects." (Numbers and Operations 1) A sense of whole numbers should be developed, represented, and used in flexible ways. The student should "develop and use strategies for whole-number computations, with a focus on addition and subtraction." (Numbers and Operations 1)

#### **B. What Initial Ideas Were Conceptualized.**

We had two main ideas for this lesson plan when we first began. The first idea was to count different plants and/or animals. For example, we would begin by talking about the different types of wildlife that reside in the swamp. We would then go on to talk about what plants and animals also live in the students' community. The students would compare and contrast the two. As an activity, they would count how many squirrels or

turtles or trees there were in a given environment. The second idea included trees also, but from a different perspective. It was to focus on determining the age of a tree.

### C. Numbers and Operations Lesson Plan Review.

The number and operations lesson plan focused on counting. This lesson had three learning goals. One, the student will be able to understand counting concepts. Two, the student will be able to connect numbers using addition and subtraction. Three, the student will be introduced to the significance of numbers in nature. These goals should be accomplished throughout the lesson plan.

The teacher was given a short introduction to the topic, followed by brief information to share with the students. From this information, the students are introduced to facts about the swamp and trees. For example, the teacher is suggested to say to the students, "Each year a tree lives, an additional layer is added on. The result of these layers is several rings." This is vital information that the students will need.

The classroom activity had about five basic steps. First, the teacher would post pictures of two sets of tree rings in front of the classroom. Examples are located on the lesson plan. Second, the students are asked to draw numbers from a container (e.g. 8-30). The teacher is asked to show the students how to illustrate tree rings. Next, the students themselves should draw tree rings according to the number that was drawn out of the container. Then, the students are allowed to post their illustrations in order of youngest-to-oldest or vice versus. Finally, they are asked to compare the ages of the trees. For example, the teacher may ask, how much older is the oldest tree than the youngest tree. How many more rings does a tree that is 20 years old have than one that is 15 years old? As closure, the students are allowed to review what they've learned by drawing pictures or writing a few sentences about trees, their environment, and the swamp.

### D. How Does the Lesson Plan Relate to the Great Dismal Swamp?

In the beginning of the lesson, we discuss trees that are located in the Great Dismal Swamp. Five of these types of trees have been forested; they consist of pine, sweet gum-oak popular, maple-black gum, tupelo bald cypress trees, and the Atlantic white cedar. Cypress wood is quite common in construction because the trees produce durable wood that is chemical resistant. Trees have rings that become visible when wood is cut. We deemed that counting tree rings should be an excellent way to incorporate parts of the plant community of the swamp. The teacher is given various websites to gain more information about trees and the Great Dismal Swamp.

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## **Recommendations**

Several recommendations were given during our oral presentation. They went as follows:

1. Quote standards in final report.
2. Be precise and specific. Look at one level, such as Pre-K or first grade.
3. Use Blooms Taxonomy.
4. Be more creative.
5. Spend time in classrooms.
6. Give the names of classifications of standards.
7. Just state the standards.
8. Show materials in layout of lesson plan.
9. Get rid of the decimals on the graph.
10. Test the models in classrooms.
11. Pay close attention to the style of North Carolina layout of lesson plans.
12. Put subtraction in explanation of number and operations lesson plan.
13. Include a recommendations page discussing what would be the next stage of the project.
14. Sort through the ideas presented, select the best ones, and refine.

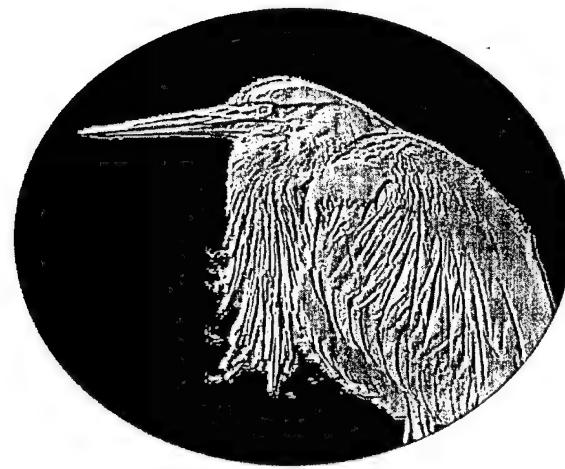


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### **Abstract**

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The Great Dismal Swamp Wetlands and Wildlife Refuge is a heavily forested area of land and water located in Suffolk and Chesapeake, Virginia stretching south into North Carolina in the counties of Gates, Camden, and Pasquotank. The refuge has been used to make the public aware of the essential role that wetlands play in the coastal plains area. It has also been used for research and educational purposes.

The goal of the 2000 - 2001 Multimedia Team was to create an educational poster for the Great Dismal Swamp. While creating the poster we had to keep in mind that it would have to attract the attention and aid in the understanding of the swamp for kindergarten through third grade students. This involved using large pictures and simple descriptions for the ideas in the project. The team consulted various elementary teachers seeking input on what attracted students. Elementary textbooks were also used to see how the scholars were using graphics and text to keep their students attention. The reverse side of the poster contains math lessons for the students supplied by the "Math of the Great Dismal Swamp" team.

The Multimedia Team also consulted with environmental researchers to gain a more in-depth knowledge of the swamp itself. Researchers provided us with information ranging from historical to projects now ongoing within the swamp. The benefits, needs, and balance that the swamp provides gave the team more information with which to build the ideas for the poster. Many issues were discussed with the researchers and the team came away with a greater understanding of the diversity within the refuge.

The team gained various software packages used for print, computer, and web development. The instruction varied for each individual depending upon his or her experience in that area of software application. While members may have been familiar with the software, all with the sharing of knowledge gained a better understanding.

## **Software**

Several software packages were incorporated into this project. The software was really what permitted the completion of the project. The software we used included three Macromedia software packages that were Dreamweaver, Flash, and Fireworks. We also used Adobe Photoshop in the actual construction of the poster.

### **Macromedia Dreamweaver 3**

Macromedia Dreamweaver is a software package for developing professional and imaginative Web sites. Macromedia Dreamweaver facilitates workflow by allowing integration with other Web applications and software and builds better web sites at a faster pace.

One special feature of Macromedia Dreamweaver is the template. Templates make it easier and faster for the user to make changes to the overall design of the site by direct revision of the template. Another special feature of the Macromedia Dreamweaver software are the Dreamweaver library items. With use of the libraries the developer can save sections of the HTML code from an existing page for later use.

Also, Macromedia Dreamweaver can be customized using HTML. Users do not necessarily have to know HTML to use Dreamweaver. As a matter of fact, you can use Dreamweaver to learn HTML code. This works because users can design pages in the document window and then view the HTML code that Macromedia Dreamweaver writes in the HTML Source inspector. This is therefore another special feature of Macromedia Dreamweaver.

The Multimedia Team used Macromedia Dreamweaver as our starting in this year's project. The version we used was Dreamweaver 3. We learned the basics of the software and gained insight on elements from the software that we could incorporate into our own webpages. Macromedia Dreamweaver was also useful in helping us build our team page. We used features such as frames, tables, and mouse-overs.

### **Macromedia Flash 4**

Another software package that was integrated into this project was Macromedia Flash. Macromedia Flash is used to design animations, presentations, and Web sites.

One special feature of the Macromedia Flash software is that it can be closely integrated with other Macromedia Web Publishing products, such as Dreamweaver and Fireworks. Flash movies can be incorporated into Dreamweaver documents easily.

The Multimedia Team's web site is an example of incorporating Flash into Dreamweaver. The Team web site illustrates a short movie introducing all of the members to the viewers. The version of the software that we used was Flash 4.

### Macromedia Fireworks 3

The Multimedia Team employed one more Macromedia product into the project, Macromedia Fireworks. This software package is used to construct, edit, and add animation to graphics.

The Fireworks software has many valuable features. Even though it was released before the final release of Windows 2000, special testing allows the running of Fireworks 3 on Windows 2000. Another feature of the software is that it can be used with other Macromedia products such as Flash and it can be integrated into the Dreamweaver webpage building software.

Users can launch and edit graphics in Fireworks from Dreamweaver. Macromedia Fireworks is used to create animated GIFs. Generating a sequence of frames that contain different content in each subsequent frame creates them.

The Multimedia Team took advantage of the Fireworks software on our team webpage by using it to create rollovers.

### Adobe Photoshop 5.5

The Adobe Photoshop software is a valuable tool for editing pictures and graphics. It is complex and at some times frustrating. Once you learn the various features and understand how they work using Photoshop becomes fun and less complicated.

Some of Photoshop's special features include layers and the History. Knowledge of layers and how they operate is quite useful for getting the hang of Photoshop. Layers allow you to separate one element of a picture from another and work them without disturbing or changing elements of a different layer. Icons on the layers toolbar allow the user to make layers visible or invisible, which comes in handy when working with different images.

The History is another powerful feature of Adobe Photoshop. This feature allows you to go back to any point since the last time you opened Photoshop and undo actions. This allows the user to try many different things and be able to go back and undo any editing they have done.

Photoshop can be used to create posters and all kinds of graphics effects. The software is also quite useful when it comes to editing photographs. One can change the color in the background, delete something from the background or even add someone or something to a photo that was not originally there.

The main task of the Multimedia Team was to create a poster for the Great Dismal Swamp. The Adobe Photoshop software was essential to complete this task. Each team member used the photoshop software to create his or her own unique poster designs. The final poster was created using many different layers and the various editing capabilities of Adobe Photoshop.

## System Requirements

### Macromedia Dreamweaver 3

#### Macintosh

Power Macintosh

Mac OS 8.1 or later

32 MB of available RAM

20 MB of available disk space

Color monitor capable of 800x600  
resolution

CD-ROM drive

#### Windows 95/98/NT

Intel Pentium processor or equivalent 120+  
MHz

Windows 95/98 or NT version 4.0 or later

32 MB of available RAM

20 MB of available disk space

256-color monitor capable of 800x600  
resolution

CD-ROM drive

### Adobe Photoshop 5.5

#### Macintosh

PowerPC based Macintosh computer

Mac OS Software version 7.6 or later

64 MB of RAM

125 MB or available hard-disc space

Large capacity hard disk highly

Recommended.

Color monitor with 256-color (8-bit) or  
Greater video card (24-bit color  
recommended)

CD-ROM drive

(32-bit TWAIN data source or Adobe  
Photoshop compatible plug-in when  
using with a scanner)

#### Windows

Intel Pentium processor or faster

Microsoft Windows 95 or 98, or Windows  
NT 4.0 or later

64 MB of RAM

125 MB of available hard-disc space.

Large capacity hard disk highly

Recommended.

256-color (8-bit) display adapter (24-bit  
color recommended)

CD-ROM drive

(32-bit TWAIN data source or Adobe  
Photoshop compatible plug-in when  
using with a scanner)

### Macromedia Fireworks 3

#### Macintosh

Power Macintosh Processor (G3 or  
higher recommended)

Mac OS 8.6 or 9.X

64 MB of available RAM

800x600, 256-color display (1024 x  
768)

80 MB of available hard disk

Adobe Type Manager Version 4 or  
later with Type 1 fonts

#### Windows

Intel Pentium processor (Pentium II  
recommended)

Windows 95/98 or NT version 4.0 2000  
or later

64 MB of available RAM

800x600, 256-color display (1024x768)

80 MB of available hard disk

Adobe Type Manager Version 4 or later  
with Type 1 fonts

## **Macromedia Flash 4**

### **Macintosh**

Power Macintosh with MacOS 8.5 or

32 MB of free available system RAM

40 MB of available disk space

256-color monitor capable of 800x600  
resolution

CD-ROM drive

### **Windows**

133 MHz Intel Pentium processor,  
Windows 95/98, NT4, 2000 Professional, or  
later

32 MB of free available system RAM

40 MB of available disk space

256-color monitor capable of 800x600  
resolution

CD-ROM drive

## **Flash Playback requirements**

### **Macintosh**

System 8.1 or later

Netscape plug-in works with Netscape 3  
or later

Macromedia Flash Player Java Edition  
Requires a Java-enabled browser

### **Windows**

Microsoft Windows 95, 98, Me, NT, 2000  
Professional, or later

Netscape plug-in works with Netscape 3 or  
or later, and Microsoft Internet Explorer 3.0  
or later

Macromedia Flash Player Java Edition  
requires a Java-enabled browser

## Swamp Facts

### History

Nearly 13,000 years ago was when human occupation of the area began. William Drummond, a governor of North Carolina, in 1665 discovered the lake in which now carries his name. In 1728 William Byrd II led a surveying group into the swamp to draw a dividing line between Virginia and North Carolina. In 1763 was when George Washington first visited the swamp and formed the Dismal Swamp Land Company that was involved in draining and logging portions of the swamp (<http://hamptoproads.mining.com/citiestowns/southeastus/hamptonroads/library/weekly/a0427>).

Before the Revolutionary War several Virginians and North Carolinians suggested a canal on the eastern edge of the Swamp. This would unite the Albemarle Sound in North Carolina with the Elizabeth River in Virginia. The eastern canal, which parallels route 70 for much of its length was not navigable by small, shallow-draft boats until 1805. It was not until the British blockade during the War of 1812, when the discussion became heated once again for enlarging the canal. In 1815, the successful transportation of flour down the Roanoke River to the Albemarle Sound and up the Canal to Norfolk convinced the business community that the waterway would be important for transporting tobacco and other cash crops from central Virginia to the Tidewater area. Then the canal enlargement project began. Included in it was the Feeder Ditch leading to Lake Drummond, and a system of locks. The canal is still navigable today and is used for boating, but its commercial importance ended with the construction of a shorter and better canal closer to Norfolk (<http://www.vmnh.org/swmpsusn.htm>).

### Characteristics

The Dismal Swamp is densely forested and contains scattered natural elevations of 10 to 20 feet above sea level. Along the western margin of the Pamlico Formation it rises to 25 feet and more, forming a natural boundary. Even though the swamp has been through much lumbering and widespread destruction of timber because of fire, the area is still heavily wooded with cypress, black gum, juniper and water ash, and a tangle of honeysuckle and woodbine. The swamp is the habitat of many rare birds, which includes the ivory-billed woodpecker. Poisonous snakes are numerous including the cottonmouth. The swamp is known for its fishing and hunting. The deer, bear, raccoon, and opossum are numerous, especially in the nearly inaccessible Coldwater Ditch area (<http://www.britannica.com/seo/d/dismal-swamp/>).

The Dismal Swamp Canal, built from 1790-1828, is a 22-mi-long north-south intra-coastal waterway uniting the Chesapeake Bay, by the way of Deep Creek and the southern branch of the Elizabeth River, with Albemarle Sound in North Carolina through the Pasquotank River. The canal forms a connection in the Atlantic Intra-coastal Waterway. Located in the middle of the swamp is the freshwater Lake Drummond, which is connected to the canal by the 3-mi-long Feeder Ditch (<http://www.britannica.com/seo/d/dismal-swamp>).

### **Past Uses**

Proving to be a successful commercial activity of the swamp was logging. Regular logging activities continued as late as 1976, the entire swamp has been logged at least once (<http://hamptoproads.mining.com/citiestowns/southeastus/hamptonroads/library/weekly/a0427>).

### **Current Uses**

Activities that you can currently do in swamp include hiking, biking, photography, wildlife observation, fishing, and boating. The fishing and boating activities are permitted year round on Lake Drummond. In the fall is when the white-tailed deer hunt is held. Also available to schools and professional groups are a refuge orientation, film presentations, slide programs, and outdoor classroom activities ([http://www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us\\_nwr/va\\_great.htm](http://www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us_nwr/va_great.htm)).

### **Future Uses**

Future uses of the swamp are more harmful to it than the current and past uses. It is this reason why you do not hear about a lot of changes that are going to take place around a swamp. Future uses of the swamp fall directly into the category of development. Lots of swampland is being loss because of population growth in coastal watersheds, dred draining, bulldozing and paving. It is because of these uses that the swamp has been reducing in size (<http://www.estuaries.org/loss.html>).

### **The Refuge**

The making of a refuge started in 1973 when the Union Camp Corporation donated 49,000 acres of land to The Nature Conservancy. This land was then shown to the Department of the Interior, and the refuge as officially established through The Dismal Swamp Act of 1974. The refuge is made up of almost 107,000 acres of forested wetlands that have been changed tremendously by drainage and continuing logging operations (<http://hamptoproads.mining.com/citiestowns/southeastus/hamptonroads/library/weekly/a0427>).

The refuge is inhabited by 29 species of mammals, 38 species of fish, 100 varieties of butterflies, and 3,000 kinds of vegetation. (<http://hamptoproads.mining.com/citiestowns/southeastus/hamptonroads/library/weekly/a0427>).

The main function of the refuge's resource management programs is to restore and maintain the natural biological diversity that existed prior to the human-caused alterations. Important to the swamp ecosystem are its water resources, native vegetation communities, and varied wildlife species. Water is being saved and managed by placing water control structures in the ditches. Plant community diversity is being restored and maintained through forest management activities, which simulate the ecological effects of wildfires. Wildlife is managed by insuring the presence of required habitats, with hunting used to balance some wildlife populations with available food supplies ([http://www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us\\_nwr/va\\_great.htm](http://www.gorp.com/gorp/resource/us_nwr/va_great.htm)).

### **The Chain of Life**

By the swamp being very close to the ocean this creates a unique situation for our area. This causes our area to be an estuary, which is a body of water partly surrounded by land and fresh water from rivers and streams run into it and mixes with the salt water from the ocean. Estuaries are some of the most productive natural systems on earth because of the mixing of nutrients from land and sea. Estuaries can produce more food per acre than some of the more prominent Midwest farmland. Estuaries are important to people because they like its beauty and for other activities such as fishing, swimming, boating, diving, wildlife viewing, hunting, learning and working. The estuaries provide many different types of habitats, which are important to species of plants, fish, and other wildlife. Estuaries also play a key role in the rates of the commercial fishing industry as well as recreational catch of fish. Estuaries provide lots of jobs for our nation because of fishing, tourism, and recreational boating (<http://www.estuaries.org/10facts.html>).

### **Developing The Poster**

#### **First things First**

Before we began to think and develop some of our ideas for the poster, we began to first consider the main factors that would shape the poster. We knew that only these factors would determine the success of the materials when presented to the audience. The first factor was that this poster would be used by Kindergarten through third grade teachers to teach students in those grades. These students would be the audience in which we would target.

The next factor was that the poster must reflect Kindergarten through third grade level mathematics. This meant that the focal point of the poster had to have some form of mathematical relevance and should be easily recognized by the audience. The other factor that was considered had to focus around the natural landmark of the dismal swamp located in Suffolk and Chesapeake, Virginia.



The swamp itself would be used as the thematic area of the mathematics this would be called mathematics of the dismal swamp. Another group entitled "The Mathematics of the Great Dismal Swamp team" would provide lessons in mathematics surrounding this topic. We were to feed off of some of their ideas to better understand how we would approach the poster.

### **Consultations**

Knowing that our target audience would Kindergarteners through third graders, we decided to consult with certain individuals who were accustomed to the minds of the audience. We consulted with Mrs. Sue Powers, a schoolteacher at Moyock Elementary School. We asked her to describe some things that would appeal to the children in those grades. She gave us great insight and she sparked great opportunities for our mind to develop some ideas and a pathway for ideas to unfold.

We also consulted with Omari Salisbury. Mr. Salisbury is an individual who is well attuned to the dismal swamp. We conversed with him as he told us about some of the things that were happening in the swamp. He talked about some of the animals and some of the plant life that thrived or were endangered that lived in the swamp. We were interested in many facets and aspects of the swamp. We wanted to know its history, its uses, its purpose in the nature, we wanted to know how it was changing, why it was changing, and many other questions, because we knew that the more we knew about the swamp the more ideas we could use in developing the poster. He was a great resource to call upon and to have for referencing the swamp.

### **Our Trip**

After consulting with Mrs. Sue Powers and Mr. Omari Salisbury we decided that to gain a complete feel for the swamp we must plan a trip to visit the swamp and see exactly what goes on there ourselves. The trip took place in the winter. This was a little unpleasant because there was not much life going on there around this time of the year. There was not much foliage or animals in the area at that time due to the climate for that time of the year. The support center for the swamp was very helpful with providing information surrounding the swamp. We were able to get an idea of what happens in the swamp throughout the different months and seasons. We decided to plan another trip to the swamp in the future so that we may see the swamp "in living color."



During that visit we also took along with us two digital cameras to bring the swamp back with us. We took many photos of the swamp as well as some of the sessions that the support center representatives had for the visitors. The pictures were used to see

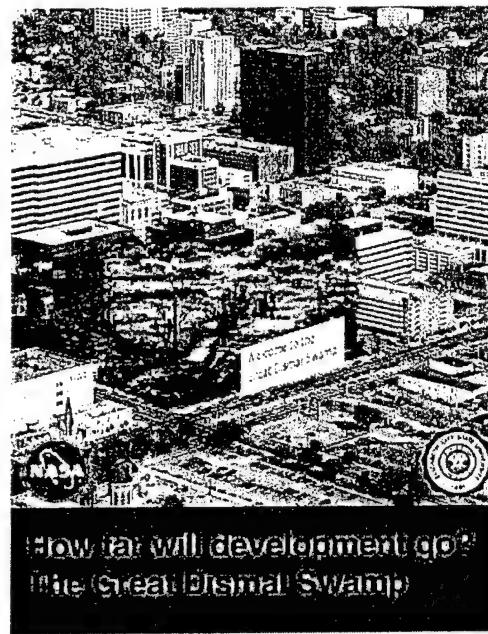
the environment as a whole while we were back at school. We also used them to bring out some ideas.

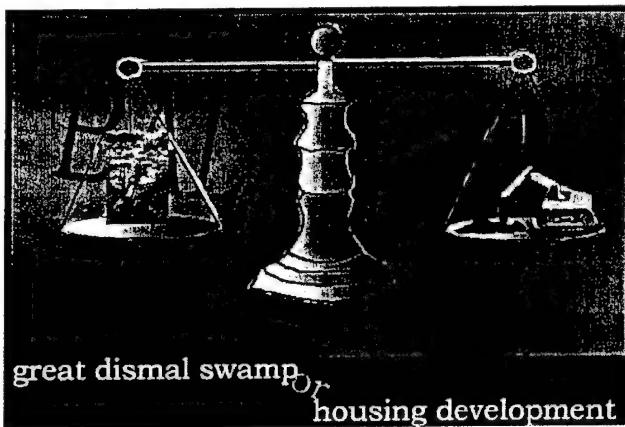
### **Internet Posters**

When we finally decided that we were to begin to submit ideas for posters, we decided that the best way to get a feel for a poster was to research types of posters that already exist. So we used the Internet as a medium to search for different types. We found several posters that were pretty fascinating. After finding these posters we analyzed them and tried to see if we could determine exactly how they were created and how they manipulated images and text. After realizing the methods used by the poster designers we decided to use Adobe<sup>®</sup> Photoshop 5.0<sup>®</sup> as one of the main tools for developing a poster. We decided to use Photoshop because of the "layers" feature, which makes it a lot easier to place certain graphics and text on the poster.

### **Some of Our Ideas**

We then began to develop some of our own individual ideas. We began to use the many features of Photoshop to see the effects that we could develop. We also began downloading a couple of graphics, mainly pictures of the swamp and some of the animals in it, to place on the poster ideas. Each of the members developed an individual poster to broaden our choices and also to see if we could spawn off new ideas from the posters that we created independently. Trial and error with ideas and assign individual poster projects for each member. Here are a couple of ideas that we came up with:





### Final Idea

After creating our different posters we decided to find a way to bring the posters into one singular idea. To do this we compared and contrasted with the different posters. We decided upon the things that we did not want and the things that we did want. The main thing that we wanted to focus on was diversity and bringing the diversity together into one main idea and focal point. So we made a sketch of different posters with the unique aspects from the posters that we created on our own to form newer posters. We knew that one of these posters would most likely be the final idea that we would complete this semester.

When we completed sketching the ideas we consulted once more with the Math of the Great Dismal Swamp team as well as Mrs. Sue Powers as we did before to see which one of the posters would best suite the audience's age and attention level. The poster that we felt the most assertive about was the poster that Mrs. Powers chose. After this consultation we began to take the sketch and develop a working product. Through some of the work we talked with various photographers about possibly using some of their

work from the Internet. Some of the photographers wanted monetary awards if we were to use any of their photos. Thankfully we were able to find a photo that we could use.

On the final poster we wanted to bring many facets into consideration. Our first consideration we brought into the poster, as an accent was the life cycle that the swamp plays in the environment. The main cycle we focused on was the estuarine chain that affects everyone from the sea life in the area to the fishermen to the people who eat the seafood caught by the fishermen. The next consideration that we used was mathematics. We applied some mathematical symbols (+, -, /, x) to the poster to accent the subject that would be used as a medium to learn about the swamp. The next thing that we took into consideration was wildlife. We decided upon an animal that we thought best represented the swamp as a whole. We decided upon the Great blue Heron.



With these features we created a final poster in which we are proud to say is a very good one.

### **Printing the Poster**

#### ***HP DesignJet 450c***

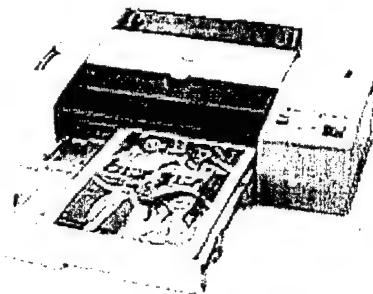
After completing the poster we decided to use the Hewlett Packard DesignJet 450c printer.



This is what we first used to print out our poster design onto poster paper. Using this printer we began to print out the poster. Disappointingly we began to notice that the printer wasn't printing the poster the way that we wanted. We began to run some trial and error tests on the printer to see if it would be able to print out our final copy of the poster. We were not satisfied with the product that the printer wrought. So because of this we opted to use another printer.

### *Epson Stylus Color 3000*

The next printer that we used was the Epson Stylus Color 3000.

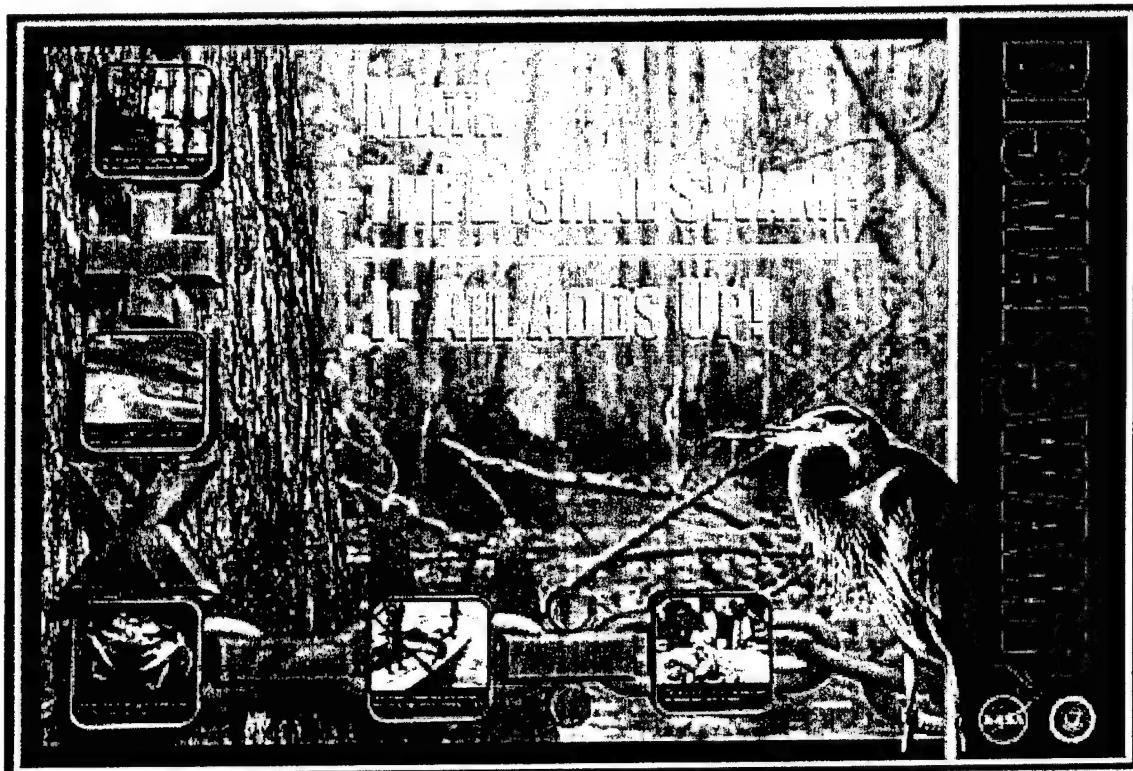


When we first connected the printer to the computer that we used we waited to see if the computer had a print driver that would recognize the printer. We discovered that it did not so we decided to download one from a site that we searched on the web and found. Finally the computer was able to read the printer and so due to this we were able to begin testing and printing out copies of our poster.

This printer was very reliable in bringing about a final printed product. The resolution of the printout met our desired effect. We were glad to have decided upon using this printer. We ended up printing out our final product.

### **Final Result**

Below is a proportional sized view of our final design.



## **Resources and Related Websites**

<http://www.tidewateradventures.com/dismal.htm>, developed by Tidewater Adventures  
[http://www.ecsu.edu/ECSU/AcadDept/Geology/dismal\\_swamp.htm](http://www.ecsu.edu/ECSU/AcadDept/Geology/dismal_swamp.htm), developed by ECSU Geology Department  
<http://www.albemarle-nc.com/camden/history/canal.htm>, developed by ICW-NET  
<http://www.vmnh.org/swmpsusn.htm>, developed by Susan B. Felker  
<http://members.inteliport.net/%7Eaea/>, developed by Albemarle Environmental Association  
<http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/restore/>, developed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
<http://www.pilotonline.com/special/dismal/>, developed by Pilot Online  
<http://www.sws.org/>, developed by Society of Wetland Scientist  
<http://www.epa.gov/OWOW/wetlands/vital/toc.html>, developed by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
<http://h2osparc.wq.ncsu.edu/info/wetlands/>, developed by North Carolina State University (NCSU)  
<http://www.taxodium.env.duke.edu/wetland/>, Duke University  
<http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/wrp/index.htm>, NCWRP  
<http://www.nwi.fwx.gov/>, United States Fish and Wildlife Service  
<http://www.estuaries.org/>, Restore America's Estuaries (RAE)  
<http://www.nccoast.org/>, North Carolina Coastal Federation  
<http://nwf.org/wetlands/>, National Wildlife Federation  
<http://www.audubon.org/campaign/wetland/index.html>, National Audubon Society  
<http://www.ecsu.edu/>, Elizabeth City State University

## **Software and Equipment**

<http://www.macromedia.com/>, Macromedia  
<http://www.virtual-fx.net/>, Flash Tutorials  
<http://sleepydesign.tripod.com/>, Dreamweaver Tutorials  
<http://www.adobe.com/products/tips/photoshop.html>, Adobe Photoshop Tutorials  
<http://www.genesis-technologies.com/macromediaweb.asp>, Macromedia Web Development Tools  
<http://www.adobe.com:82/products/photoshop/>, Adobe Photoshop 6.0  
<http://www.macromedia.com/software/fireworks/>, Macromedia Fireworks 4  
<http://www.meridiancyber.com/products/output/epson/epson300.htm>, Epson Stylus 3000 Color Printer  
<http://graphics.epson.com/products/stycolor3000/>, Epson Stylus 3000 Color Printer



August 2000  
School of Mathematics, Science  
and Technology Visiting Lecture

Dr. Earl R. Barnes  
"Some Combinatorial  
Optimization Problems"

(left-to-right) Drs. V. Manglik, D. Sengupta, G. Lawrence, H. Pendarkar, J. Houston, C. Mahoney, E. Barnes (GaTech), V. Raskin, L. Hayden, H. Ellingsen, and K. Kulkarni. Dr. Houston serves as coordinator of the visiting lecture series.



# **INTERNSHIP ROUNDTABLE**

**NOV. 9, 2000**



Internship Information was provided by Ms. Sandra Gibson, ECSU Placement Office, Dr. Georgia Lawrence, Chair Math and CS, Mr. William Barker, Airway Science Professor, and Dr. Linda Hayden, ONR Principal Investigator. Student who discussed summer 2000 internships included Ernest Walker, Shayla Brooks, Issac Lister, Katrina Banks, Golar Newby, Keisha Harrison, Torreon Creekmore, Melvin Mattocks, Joseph Gale and Vincent Davis.

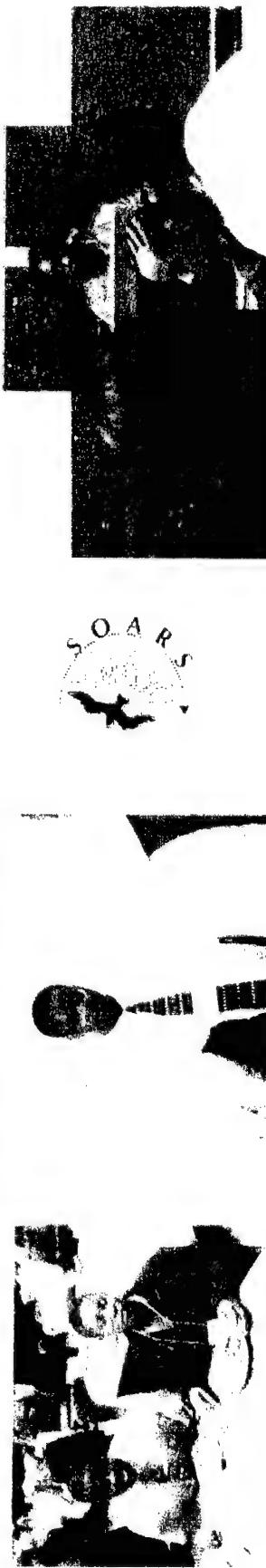


## SOARS Conference

December 1, 2000 Hosted by: Winston-Salem State University



Background: Seven public universities (North Carolina A&T State University, North Carolina Central University, Elizabeth City State University, Fayetteville State University, Winston-Salem State University, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, and The University of North Carolina at Asheville) formed a consortium to advance the undergraduate research enterprise at each university and throughout the state. Each year the North Carolina Consortium for Undergraduate Research (NCCUR) has sponsored a fall undergraduate research conference with the theme "Seizing Opportunities for Advancing Research Scholars" (SOARS). Research presentations are made by undergraduate students in a wide variety of disciplines. Representing ECSU at SOARS 2000 were Shawneque Reid, Cedric Booth, Patrice Turner, Ramatoulie Bah, Carl Seward, Elizabeth Rascoe, Golar Newby, and Dr. Bobbie Lewis. Dr. Juliette Bell (FSU) was the plenary speaker.

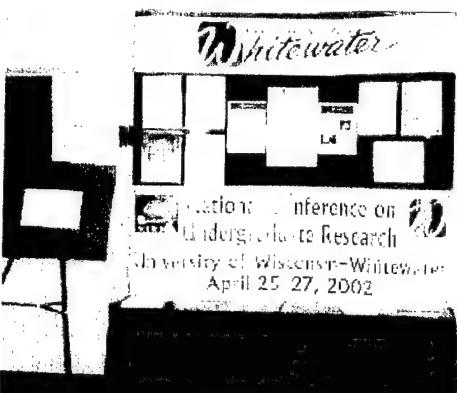


Objectives: To enhance the undergraduate research infrastructure in North Carolina Universities by coordinating undergraduate research activities and resources, and assisting in the development of comprehensive undergraduate research strategies for mentors and students.

# NCUR 2001 15th National Conference on Undergraduate Research

## The University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky March 15-17, 2001

*The mission of the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) is to promote undergraduate research scholarship and creative activity done in partnership with faculty or other mentors as a vital component of higher education....*



Dr. LaJoyce Debro , Professor of Biology and Elizabeth Curtis Department of Biology, Jacksonville State Univ.

### ABSTRACT BY ELIZABETH CURTIS AND LAJOYCE H. DEBRO ASSOCIA- TION OF GENE SEQUENCES WITH INCLUSION PROTEINS OF BACILLUS THURINGIENSIS SUBSPECIES FINITIMUS

Bacillus thuringiensis subspecies *finitimus* is unique among insecticidal strains of bacteria. The bacterium produces at least two crystalline parasporal inclusions. One inclusion is released in the environment separately from the spore and the second atypical inclusion remains with the spore inside a common envelope, the exosporium. Two genes, *cry26* and *cry28*, have been cloned from this strain but neither of the genes has been specifically associated with the enclosed or the free inclusion proteins. The objective of this study was to use PCR to correlate the cloned *cry* genes with specific inclusion proteins of *B. thuringiensis* subsp. *finitimus* and plasmid variants of subspecies *finitimus* that produce or fail to produce enclosed inclusions. PCR primers were designed from the published sequences of *cry26* and *cry28*. PCR results show that both genes correlate with a large 98-mDa plasmid but alone is not sufficient to direct the formation of an enclosed inclusion. The free inclusion is unrelated to *cry26* or *cry28*.

# 13th Annual National Black Graduate Student Conference

Texas Tech University March 28 - April 1, 2001



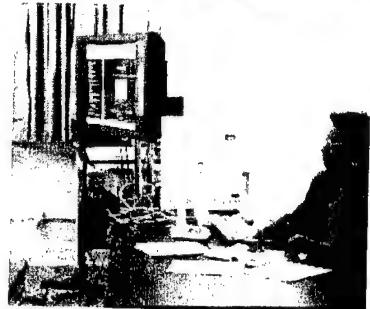
Dr. Cheryl Lewis, McNair Program Director, attended the conference with student representatives of the ECSU Ronald McNair Program. Abstracts from the McNair student presentations follow below.

**Keisha Harrison, ONR Scholar, Elizabeth City State University**  
**"Innovative Visualization of Geospatial Data for Transportation Engineering Applications"**

The problem of determining an optimal site for a truck and weight enforcement facility along an interstate highway interested a collaborative effort by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT), KL Engineering and the University of Wisconsin Environmental Remote Sensing Center (ERSC). The study is for site location was located along the I-90 corridor between the Illinois/Wisconsin border and Madison, Wisconsin. The project goal was to pilot innovation in geospatial visualization technology for comparing possible sites for a truck safety and weight enforcement facility. Visualization technology enabled the presentation of spatial information reflecting complex engineering, environmental, transportation and design issues in ways that were clear and understandable to DOT and public stakeholders. EOS-era Landsat-7 satellite data was integrated and synthesized with digital elevation models (DEMs), aerial photography, and other geospatial data to represent current terrain and land cover. Visualization technology and "fly-through" simulations created with ERDAS Imagine software and made accessible through movie files displayed this information at public hearings in forms that were meaningful to general audiences. The NASA-sponsored program for the commercialization of remote sensing Affiliated Research Center (ARC) at UW-Madison provided the support and resources for piloting this geospatial visualization technology.

# ONR Graduate Success Award Lecture

April 5, 2001



Shown is Dawne Brown, graduate student in engineering at Old Dominion University. Her advise to students is given below.

## Graduate School Application Process

- \* Apply early.
- \* Take GRE
- \* Develop relationships with instructors while in undergraduate school who will be willing to write you recommendations for graduate school.
- \* Secure funding: For the Applied Sciences, there is endless funding available either through the university you plan to attend or through fellowships, scholarships, grants, etc.

## Graduate School Environment

- \* Expectation: Students are expected to have firm understanding of major courses. Instructors do not reteach information.
- \* Independence: Students should be capable of studying and learning difficult concepts independently of other students. At this level, you should always be asking the questions "How?" and "Why?", and be able to answer them.

## Undergraduate Preparation

- \* Study, study, study!!!
- \* Develop independent study skills.
- \* Secure internships/co-ops.
- \* Learn to read with understanding.

Nurturing ECSU Research Talent Program (NERTI)  
<http://mia.ecsu.edu/oni/oni.htm>



Fall 2000

## Undergraduate Research Training





## **NSTA Eastern Area Conference**

Baltimore, MD  
Nov. 16-18, 2000

Dr. Ben Carson, MD  
Keynote Speaker



Attending the NSTA Conference were Kenyatta Lee, Carl Seward, Linda Hayden, Joal and Wanda Hathaway.

# *Elizabeth City State University*

ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA

MICKEY L. BURNIM, CHANCELLOR

# *Honors Convocation*



*Thursday, April 19, 2001  
2:00 o'clock in the afternoon  
Fine Arts Complex Auditorium*

Elizabeth City State University is a constituent institution of  
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# Honors Convocation Program

PRELUDE No. 1.....*"The Well-Tempered Clavier"* .....Johann S. Bach  
Dr. Gloria J. Knight, Pianist

## PROGRAM

Dr. Albert L. Walker, *Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*  
- Presiding -

INVOCATION .....The Reverend Roosevelt Askew  
*University Counselor*

MUSICAL SELECTION .....*"He's Got the Whole World in His Hand"* .....arr. Keith Hampton  
The University Choir  
Mr. Billy Hines, Conductor  
Constance Fleming, Soprano

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER .....Mr. Gamaliel Cherry  
*Junior, Honors Program*

ADDRESS .....Dr. Leon Rouson  
*Director, ECSU Mathematics & Science Education Network*

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS .....Dr. Margery Coulson-Clark  
*Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

Dr. Carol Calloway Jones  
*Director, Honors Program*

Miss Kymber Taylor  
*Sophomore, Honors Program*

CONGRATULATIONS .....Dr. Mickey L. Burnim  
*Chancellor*

ANNOUNCEMENTS .....Miss Rhonda Holmes  
*Sophomore, Honors Program*

POSTLUDE .....Solemn Processional *"Air from Water Music Suite"* .....George F. Handel  
Dr. Gloria J. Knight, Pianist

## Special Honors

### CHANCELLOR'S DISTINGUISHED EMBLEM AWARDS Scholars' Blazers

James Cooper  
Carrie Finney

Wendilyn Pierce

Joshua Henson  
Clarice Johnson

### Recipients of Awards THE HONORS PROGRAM Certificates of Merit

Branden Anderson	Carinthia Cherry	Joshua Henson	Tiffany Meads	Donna Richards	Keisha Stephenson
Bernard Bailey, Jr.	Gamaliel Cherry	Bonnie Higgins	Amy Morgan	Keith Richardson	Kymber Taylor
Jessica Barrier	Natasha Coley	Rhonda Holmes	Jeanette Morris	Samantha Royster-Cunningham	Laysha Taylor
Colina Bartlett	Kizzy Crawford	Clarice Johnson	Golar Newby	Edwin Rousseau	Tracy Taylor
Kimberly Bond	Norma DeVita	Tracie Johnson	Adriane Patterson	Chaka Ruffin	Tia Thorne
Tameka Braswell	Joseph Ferraro	Arnold Jones	Tierra Porter	Jenny Scott	Albert Walker, III
Tamarah Bridges	Crystal Foust	Pamela Jones	Jessica Prayer	Tiffany Shearn	Delia Wiggins
Shayla Brooks	Sharon Gorgani	Billie Malatesta	Jeaime Powell	Beshelya Smith	Pierre Wood
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Tyrell Carr	Victoria Harrison	Melvin Mattocks	Elizabeth Rascoe	RaShawn Spencer	

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<b>GREEK HONORS CUP</b>	Delta Theta Chapter Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
<b>ART</b>	
Academic/Artist Achievement Award	Rhonda Holmes
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	
Clarence E. Biggs Award	Clarice Johnson
Curtis D. Turnage Award	Leeka Sock
Herman G. Cooke Research Excellence Award	Tyrell Carr
Certificate of Merit - Freshman	Vivian McDaniels
Certificate of Merit - Sophomore	Patrice Boyce
Evans-Patterson Science Award	Clarice Johnson
<b>BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS</b>	
Outstanding Graduating Senior Award	April Clark
Gateway Bank/Richard Whiting Outstanding Student Award	Crystal Foust
Gateway Bank/Richard Whiting Most Improved Student Award	Devine Overton
Outstanding Business Administration Student Award	Chimir Knight
Outstanding Accounting Major Award	Natalie Moore
<b>EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY</b>	
Charles A. Bryant Senior Scholarship	Adriane Patterson
Lois W. Green Graduating Senior Award in Teacher Education	Adriane Patterson
Psychology Program Award	Kenya Bethea, Kimberly Carter Athena Chasteau, Loretta Lane, Kimberly Shearin Kendra Smith, Pierre Wood
<b>EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH</b>	
McNair Scholars Eagle Award	Kenya Bethea, Sheanna Bonner Kimberly Carter, Keisha Harrison Garrick Scott, Samantha Royster-Cunningham
McNair Scholars Challenger Award	Waquita Lane
McNair Scholars Excellence Without Excuse Award	Clarice Johnson
<b>GENERAL STUDIES</b>	
Division of General Studies Award	Audrey Moore
<b>GEOLOGICAL, MARINE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES</b>	
Award for Academic Excellence in Marine Environmental Science	Patty Rennert, Cleantha Samuel
Geology Academic Excellence Award	Sharon Goehring David Swinney, Jessica Yelverton
<b>INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM</b>	
Outstanding Freshman Incentive Scholar	DeTra Stith
Outstanding Sophomore Incentive Scholar	Amy Morgan
Outstanding Junior Incentive Scholar	Sherri Horner
Outstanding Senior Incentive Scholar	Connie Ashley
<b>LANGUAGE, LITERATURE &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>	
Graduating Senior Award	Michael Fournier
E. M. Spellman Award	Shaunté Barnes
<b>MATHEMATICS &amp; COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	
The J. L. Houston Mathematical Science Award	Chaka Ruffin
The Umfort E. Locus Computer Science Award	Golar Newby
ONR-Nurturing ECSU Research Talent Award of Excellence	Joseph Gale Keisha Harrison
ONR Nurturing ECSU Research Talent Program Award	Bernard Bailey, Katrina Banks Shayla Brooks, Torreon Creekmore, Willie Gilchrist, II Paula Harrell, Casey Keyes, Melvin Mattocks Shawneque Reid, Carl Seward, Eunice Smith Patrice Turner, Nelson Veale, Andrew Vinson
Office of Naval Research Scholars Award	Ramatoulie Bah, Vincent Davis Joseph Gale, Keisha Harrison, Golar Newby, Ernest Walker

<b>MILITARY SCIENCE</b>	
Top Scholastic Award .....	Casey Keyes
<b>MUSIC</b>	
Music Department Award.....	Jade Hughes
National Association of Music Business Industry Award .....	Jade Hughes
Woodwind Award .....	Shantee Wilkins
Theory Award .....	Shantee Wilkins
<b>PHYSICAL SCIENCES</b>	
Certificate of Academic Excellence .....	Ramatoulie Bah Joseph Batts, Carinthish Cherry, Torreon Creekmore, Vincent Davis, Shameika Vick
Project ATOM - Excellence in Chemistry Award .....	Joseph Batts
Project ATOM - Physics Award.....	Ramatoulie Bah Torreon Creekmore, Vincent Davis, Valenta Wade
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	
The Department of Social Sciences Award .....	Trenette Clark
Timothy H. Wamack Scholarship.....	Mary Pollard
<b>STUDENT AFFAIRS DIVISION</b>	
Davis Cup .....	Complex Residence Hall Accepting - Clarice Johnson, DeTra Stith
Honda Campus All-Star Challenge Team.....	Warren Gibbs, Joshua Henson Deanna Morring, Shannon Penn, Chaka Ruffin
Commuter Student-of-the-Year.....	Gail Harris
<b>STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES AWARD</b> .....	Tina Noriega
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	
Technology Education Faculty Award .....	James Fox
Industrial Technology Faculty Award - Sophomore.....	Steven Gordin
Industrial Technology Faculty Award - 2nd Highest GPA (Senior).....	Tuan Van On
Industrial Technology Faculty Award - Highest GPA (Senior) .....	Joseph Tillett

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The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Scholarship Zelta Kappa Omega Chapter.....	Risha Stallings
The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Scholarship Elizabeth City Alumnae Chapter.....	Sherri Horner
Class of 1967 Scholarship Award.....	Justin Anderson Carl Seward
Kappa Delta Pi Counselor's Award.....	Carol Pressnell

## **WHO'S WHO**

Rayshawn Askew	Kizzy Crawford	Tracy Taylor
Shaunté Barnes	Gwenette Dixon	Albert Walker, III
Linda Barrett	Sherri Horner	Cynthia Watts
Stephanie Beaman	Travious Johnson	Lashindra Webb
Crystal Bloomfield	Melvin Mattocks	Aretha Williams
Kathryn Burgess	Barbara McDermott	Pierre Wood
Kimberly Carter	Kitty Pressnell	
Gamaliel Cherry	Chrishanda Rodgers	
Trenett Clark	Risha Stallings	

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## *Chancellor's Distinguished Emblem Award*

### *Spring Semester 1999-2000*

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Pamela Gae Adams	Natasha Shenee' Coley	Ferrial Tyon James	Tierra Monique Porter
Shamaina Ty'Kiea Allen	James S. Cooper	Clarice Ruth Johnson	Susan Ellen Roberts
Branden G. Anderson	Audrey Shovone Dance	Alicia Michelle Jones	Crystal Deon Simpson
Connie Lane Ashley	Christy Dawn Davenport	Tiffany Lynne Jones	Amity N. Sledge
Vivian Alberta Baars	Vincent Augustus Davis	Tyrone Jones	Beshelya D. Smith
Ramatoulie Bah	Carrie L. Finney	Daniel L. Jordan	Kacey Lynn Smith
Kenshesa Lopez Barnette	Theodore Paul Finney	Sheri D. Joyner	Ebony Latoria Sneed
Stephanie Guttu Beaman	Michael A. Flanigan	Christy Davina Lewis	Sherenia Nicole Solomon
Annika Neshele Billups	Crystal R. Foust	Benjamin L. Long	Zenika Shenell Spence
Crystal D. Bloomfield	Katrina Yvette Godwin	Billie Jo Anne Malatesta	Elizabeth Suderman
Kimberly Wannette Bond	Nicole Marie Gray	Katrina E. Maltba	Tracy A. Taylor
Latonya M. Bond	Bethaney Linn Hague	Menervia Lizetta Mangum	Vernecia Von Townes
Rodshawn Lamont Branch	Carrie Lynnford Harrington	Allison Hughes Mims	Jeanette Watson
Tameka Roshelle Braswell	Keisha L. Harris	Amy Old Morgan	Justin Ray Winslow
Karen Lee Briggs	Teneshia Danielle Harris	Tamisha Sha'Ron Murphy	Colin Reid Woodley
Naiyhani C. Broughton	Joshua Frederick Henson	Nicole Forehand Overton	Chaquella S. Worthington
Tinika Lyvette Bunch	Bettina Shaunee Holloman	Kendra Lyvette Parker	
Kari Bass Chappell	Sherri Genese Horner	Wendilyn Price Pierce	

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## *Chancellor's Distinguished Emblem Award*

### *Fall Semester 2000-2001*

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Catina Renee Alston	Audrey Shovone Dance	Susan Marie Jones	Nicole Forehand Overton
Branden G. Anderson	Royelle Edwarda Davis	Tiffany Lynne Jones	Crystal Dianne Owens
Rebecca Dawn Armstrong	Vincent Augustus Davis	Monique Shnee' Joyner	Jesseca E. Paige
Connie Lane Ashley	Norma Jean DeVita	Nicole D. Kaczmarek	Adriane Daniell Patterson
Rayshawn Lamar Askew	Gwenette Nicole Dixon	Angela Marie Kurtzweil	Wendilyn Price Pierce
Shannon D. Autry	Phebe Antoinette Eley	Waquita Nicole Lane	Tierra Monique Porter
Amena G. Becton	Carrie L. Finney	Damian O'Neil Lewis	Neils Francisco Ribeiro
Susanne Denise Blevins	Theodore Paul Finney	Benjamin L. Long	Sabrina Kimberly Robinson
Crystal D. Bloomfield	Crystal R. Foust	Casey Maderazo	Cleantha D. Samuel
Kimberly Wannette Bond	Demetra J. Gilmore	Billie Jo Anne Malatesta	Carl William Seward
Melvin Jevon Bonner	Valerie Goodwin	Heather A. Malone	Eunice D. Smith
Kathryn M. Bottum	Sharon Gorgani	Vivian J. McDaniels	Tisa Sheree Stiles
Tonya Brinkley	Javon Griffin	Mellisa D. McLean	DeTra L. Stith
Tremaine Caldwell	Patty Twiford Halstead	Leslie Michelle McPherson	Tia Nicole Thorne
Shamika L. Cash	Paula Rene Harrell	Joy Lucinda McGhee	Monica Jane Vrabit
Kari Bass Chappell	Kristel L. Hedgepeth	Carrie Elizabeth Miller	Albert Roscoe Walker, III
Gamaliel R. Cherry	Joshua Frederick Henson	Angela Jeanette Mitchell	Rebecca Lynne Walker
Trenette Tyrell Clark	Sherri Genese Horner	Amy Old Morgan	Mikel Colette Womack
Natasha Shenee' Coley	Leverne Jackson	Sheree LaMone Moye	
James S. Cooper	Clarice Ruth Johnson	Tina M. Noriega	

# Honors Spring Semester 1999-2000

## Chancellor's List: 3.75 to 4.0 Average

Pamela Gae Adams  
Jeffinifer Lyn Adkins  
Shamaina Ty'Klea Allen  
Branden Germaine Anderson  
Connie Lane Ashley  
Vivian Alberta Baars  
Ramatoule Bah  
Kim B. Ballance  
Kenshea Lopez Barnett  
Charles Henry Basnight, Jr.  
Stephanie Gutu Beaman  
Barbara Joan Beck  
Annika Neshele Billups  
Crystal Del'Borah Bloomfield  
Pamela A. Bodley  
Kimberly Wannette Bond  
Latonya M. Bond  
Bonita Daphne Booze  
Andrew Kiddoo Bowman  
Trinette Gibbs Bowser  
Rodshawn Lamont Branch  
Tameka Rosheila Braswell  
Karen Lee Briggs  
Rhonda Jean Britton  
Nalyhanl Cherice Broughton  
Deborah Comer Bunch  
Tinika Lyvette Bunch  
Ruth Ann Burgess

Malissa Dianne Carr  
Sandra Marie Cashwell  
Karl Bass Chappell  
Carolyn Hudson Cherone  
April Denise Clark  
Natasha Shenee' Coley  
James S. Cooper  
Audrey Shovone Dance  
Richard Scott Darling  
Christy Dawn Davenport  
Tammy Lynn Davenport  
Kathleen Delaney Davis  
Vincent Augustus Davis  
Melvin Douglas Dawson  
Aisia Ann Esposto  
Dixie Blanche Estus  
Sallie Elizabeth Farrar  
Alfred Ray Ferguson  
Carrie L. Finney  
Theodore Paul Finney  
Michael A. Flanigan  
Joan Eileen Fonville  
Sarah Burgin Foster  
Michael D. Fournier  
Crystal R. Foust  
Tracey Colson Godfrey  
Katrina Yvette Godwin

Sharon L. Goehring  
Nicole Marie Gray  
Mary C. Griffin  
Eric D. Grunwald  
Bethaney Linn Hague  
Carrie Lynnford Harrington  
Keisha L. Harris  
Teneshia Danielle Harris  
Amber Michelle Hassell  
Grantina A. Hayes  
Joshua Frederick Henson  
Barbara Divine Hines  
Marcia Perry Hobbs  
Bettina Shaunee Holloman  
Curtis Edward Horne  
Sherri Genese Horner  
Cynthia E. Howlenton  
Benita Earl Hurley  
Eldon E. Jackson  
Ferril Tyon James  
Clarice Ruth Johnson  
Alicia Michelle Jones  
Tiffany Lynne Jones  
Tyrone Jones  
Daniel L. Jordan  
Sheri D. Joyner  
Ravinder P. Kaur  
Barbara J. King

Chilmur Santana Knight  
William E. Krimmel, III  
Joseph Kurtzwell  
Barbara K. Lamb  
Tracy Anne Lane  
Nicole Marie Lavinder  
Jacob Colin Leonard  
Rebecca Lynn Leonard  
Christy Davina Lewis  
Maureen C. Liverman  
Benjamin L. Long  
Billie Jo Anne Malatesta  
Katrina E. Maltba  
Menervia Lizetta Mangum  
Barbara Dale McDermott  
Ingrid McEntire  
Jennifer L. McGire-Robb  
Carly Brothers Meads  
Holly Barkwell Meads  
Heather M. Midgett  
Amyjo Marie Miller  
Stephanie Margaret Miller  
Allison Hughes Mims  
Amy Old Morgan  
Tamisha Sha'Ron Murphy  
Kimberly A. Newbern  
April Swift Nizami  
Warren Alfred Oliver

Thanh Van On  
Nicole Forehand Overton  
Selena E. Overton  
Kendra Lyvette Parker  
Richard F. Petersen  
Wendlyn Price Pierce  
Tara Deleight Pleasant  
Anthony Poole  
Tierra Monique Porter  
Carol A. Pressnell  
Sharon Lee Priest  
Anne Michelle Raymond  
Kimberlee Lynne Riddick  
Susan Ellen Roberts  
Melanie Dawn Rockwell  
Tabitha Fawn Romano  
Keya Joneice Ruston  
Shirley Wynne Schoolfield  
Heidi M. Schultz  
Robin D. Scabica  
Samuel L. Shrader  
Janice Simmons  
Crystal Deon Simpson  
Sachwinder P. Singh  
Julianne Hinson Sizemore  
Amity N. Sledge  
Besheyla D. Smith  
Debra Gregory Smith

Kacey Lynn Smith  
Ebony Latoria Snead  
Sherenla Nicole Solomon  
Zenika Shenik Spence  
Cynthia Diane Spencer  
Latonya Ann Square  
Roxanne P. Stewart  
Donna M. Stockli  
Kendra L. Stone  
Joan Harrell Taylor  
Roblin Lane Taylor  
Tracy A. Taylor  
Dawn Woodroof Tillet  
Vernecia Von Townes  
Jeanette Watson  
Lena A. Whitfield  
Wendy L. Whitley  
Angela J. Wilder-Jackson  
Penda R. Wilkins  
Justine Ray Winslow  
Anita Lynn Wogoman  
Colin Reid Woodley  
Chaqueilla S. Worthington  
Mary Christine Young

## Vice-Chancellor's List: 3.50 to 3.74 Average

Rocky L. Allen  
Patrick Israel Anding  
Tonya Christine Aponte  
Tanya Marie Arellano  
Rayshawn Lamar Askew  
Bernard Wesley Bailey, Jr.  
Shaunta LaQuita Barnes  
Jessica Ann Barrier  
Antonio Dewayne Barrow  
Tantansha Lalita Baskerville  
Shaniqve Lynette Beale  
Yong Hui Beck  
Angela Reversal Belts  
David Nikki Bines  
Susanne Denise Blevins  
Winter Suzanne Bobko  
Milton Thomas Bond  
Sheanna L. Bonner  
Patrice Markelta Boyce  
Stacy Brock

Cartrell K. Brown  
Julian Brown  
Kathryn Dell Burgess  
Laraaeshontee A. Butcher  
Stephanie Ann Carpenter  
Abrian Cherwanda Carter  
Donald Dwight Charity, Jr.  
Gamaliel R. Cherry  
Alice Brewin Cox  
Kizz Victoria Crawford  
Michelle Marie Gullipher  
Norma Jean DeVita  
Carla Crystal Eason  
Harriett D. Evans  
Joseph Lincoln Ferraro  
Philip Q. Foreman  
Christa L. Gallop  
Gregory Jason Gilbert  
Valerie Goodwin  
Kimberly Green

Edward Hall, Jr.  
Scott Michael Hammond  
Shavonne Lanelle Harcum  
Wynet Vernesia Harrell  
Gail Mercer Harris  
Holly Renee Harris  
John Richard Hinkle  
Jacqueline Denise Holloman  
Rhonda Lolita Holmes  
Teresa Lenora James  
Joyra Naticia Jenkins  
Tracie LaWanda Johnson  
Kevin Hosea Jones  
Nina Shearon Jones  
Pamela Rene' Jones  
Shari Yvonne Jones  
Susan Marie Jones  
Quinton Montrez Joyner  
Katrina Genae' Khan-Anthony  
Susan Virginia Klyver

Waquita Nicole Lane  
Rodney D. Lyons  
Rebecca A. Maestas  
Melvin Lee Mattocks  
Kenneth Allen Mays  
Charmaine Lavonn Melson  
Angela Jeanette Mitchell  
Shayvonna Mizelle  
Delishia R. Moore  
Cynthia Marie Morris  
Tonisha Hinton Mozelle  
William Baker Nelson, Jr.  
Natarsha Vonshel Nixon  
Tuan Van On  
Inger Leverdla Parker  
Pamela Anne Parnell  
Adriane Danielle Patterson  
William Whitman Peele, III  
Woodrow Perry  
Brain K. Phelps

Tracy Benton Port  
Elizabeth T. Rascoe  
Neils Francisca Ribeiro  
Keith O'Brian Richardson  
Kristen Denise Riddick  
Shanita D. Riddick  
Tracie Lee Riddick  
Trisha Bunch Sawyer  
Tiffany K. Shearn  
Cynthia Ann Simpson  
Regina Elizabeth Simpson  
Owen T. Stevens  
Kymber Lee Taylor  
Avis Michele Thompson  
Tia Nicole Thorne  
Monica Valentine  
Lennette Perry Ventura  
Paulette Myers Wagner  
Albert Roscoe Walker, III  
Nicole Lynette Walker

Lisa Chiao-Ling Wang  
Teresa Blanchard Ward  
Cynthia Sue Watts  
Nicole Keefe White  
Lavonda Nicole Whitt  
Dawn Nichole Williams  
Frederick L. Williams  
Mikel Colette Womack  
Tarneshia Lashay Womack  
Pierre Jovan Wood  
Peter R. Woolridge  
Christine P. Wright

## Honor List: 3.00 to 3.49 Average

Ricky B. Adams  
April D. Allen  
Joyce Lashun Allen  
Justin Edward Anderson  
Latisha L. Andrews  
Cynthia Michelle Arendts  
Batina Doreen Armstrong  
Pamela Marie Armstrong  
Laura Boone Ausby  
Katrisha Laurel Barber  
Shelly Marie Barrack  
Linda D. Barrett  
Collina N. Bartlett  
Joseph Boyd Batts  
Shawn O'Neill Beasley  
Cynthia Patrice Bell  
Antonio Devon Bess  
Jeffery A. Billups  
Carroll Biondi  
Conell Stallings Blount  
Linda Ann Bond  
Melanie Lorraine Boone  
Larry Jethiro Boston  
Trisha Gail Breeding  
Tamarah McShea' Bridges  
Kevin Lee Briggs  
Nicholas Thornton Britt  
Demetria Y. Brooks  
Shayla R. Brooks  
Tracy M. Brooks, Jr.  
Desmond Earl Brown  
Gregory Christopher Burgess  
Erica Delvern Burnell  
Keith Lamont Burton  
Beth Anne Carpenter  
Latanya M. Carr  
Tyrrell Carr  
Derrick Codon Carter  
Kimberly Michelle Carter  
Karen Melissa Carver  
William Harvey Chappell  
Catrelina Dinnete Cherry  
Roy Carlton Cherry, Jr.  
Cynthia Michele Christian  
Pamela Denisse Clanton  
Trenette Tyrell Clark  
Lemuel Cobb, Jr.

Erlroy Cofield  
Monica Lukelsha Cofield  
Renesha Devon Collier  
Crystal Joye Cooper  
Yvonne Nicole Cowell  
Torrean Navon Creekmore  
Brian Davis Crump  
Nigel Demond Daniels  
Rebecca Ann David  
Kindred Dwayne Davis  
Royelle Edwarda Davis  
Uyless M. Dewberry, Jr.  
Destiny M. Dickerson  
Annette Marie Dixon  
Derrick Dixon  
Gwenette Nicole Dixon  
Carledia V. Dozier  
Chris Allen Dunn  
Kimberly Earley  
Lekisha Tramaine Easter  
Kimberly T. Edwards  
Michael Blaise Edwards  
Peter Madison Eley  
Phebe Antoinette Eley  
Shanae La'nette Elliott  
Natasha S. Ellis  
Alicia Kim Evans  
Devona M. Faison  
Kimberly Marlie Farless  
Stephanie Fenner  
Keisha Yvonne Ferguson  
Jennifer Leigh Ferrell  
Leann K. Ferrell  
Candace Monique Fisher  
Latasha M. Flood  
Michael Justin Forbes  
Sherri Wadtree Forrest  
Latisha M. Freeman  
Takisha Lamen Frost  
Janella Aline Gale  
Joseph Andrew Gale  
Gregory Lewis Garner  
Angela Gibbs  
Felicia L. Gibson  
George K. Gordon  
Omar Ulysses Gordon  
Sharon Gorgani

Benjamin C. Gray, Jr.  
Fitemra Arnea Gregory  
Marilyn Gregory  
Yvonne Nicole Hale  
Emma Lee Hall  
Takeyia N. Hall  
Richard D. Halstead  
Leeanna Rene Hamon  
Vanetta J. Hanshaw  
Anthony Demone' Harding  
Keisha Lashauna Harrison  
Amy Morgan Hassell  
Angela Hathaway  
Bryan Alan Hawkins  
Candice E. Hedgepeth  
Bonnie Nicole Higgins  
Melody Degnia High  
Donna Jean Highsmith  
Mary L. Hill  
Tiffany Renee Hopson  
Jade L. Hughes  
Christian Ewell Hutchinson  
Leverne J. Jackson  
Mario Concepcion Jackson  
Marcia Sutton James  
Sholonda Tawana James  
Weldon Thomas James  
Venita Francine Jenkins  
Kamicia Chaunte Johnson  
Latisha R. Johnson  
Monica Latoya Johnson  
Travious LaQuanda Johnson  
Charles R. Jolley, Jr.  
Arnold L. Jones  
Brian Anthony Jones  
Erik Dyson Jones  
Jwisha Juanita Jones  
Valerie Renee Knight Jones  
Chanta Tokela Jordan  
Cheryl Whidbee Jordan  
Crystal L. Jordan  
Robin Jordan-Kight  
William Arnold Kight  
Sherlante Denise S. Kindred  
Kelvin Lamont King  
Rickey Edward King

LaToya Janae Knighton  
Lemuel A. Lamb, III  
Loretta Mae Lane  
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Cory Alonso Liggins  
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William Patrick Morris  
Collier Mullins  
Latasha Newsome  
Michelle Rontez Nichols  
Tamika Shante Nixon  
Cynthia Norman  
Michelle M. Oneill  
Frances Lilley Overton  
Ivory Shawon Overton  
Crystal Dianne Owens  
Janell Tyrice Parker  
Keyochia L. Parker  
Lenward L. Parker, Jr.  
Patricia L. Parker  
Christopher Ryan Patterson  
David Jason Perdue  
Victesha Roshane Pettaway  
Tanyetta Montre'al Pittman  
Alisha Latoya Powell  
Jeanime Henri Powell  
Tavaras Jarnell Powell

Kristy M. Poyer  
Jessica A. Prayer  
Mia Darlene Price  
Serena Catherine Price  
William Bradley Privott  
Sylvia Elizabeth Quintero  
Latonya Michelle Raynor  
Jennifer Rebecca Reinholz  
Chanteal Reynolds  
Yvonne Ribeiro-Yemofio  
Donna Maria Richards  
April Marie Richardson  
Lawanda P. Richardson  
Freita Williams Riddick  
Lavone Sharita Riddick  
Marcus Westley Riddick  
Ronald A. Riddick, Jr.  
Katrice Robbins  
Jawan Monique Robinson  
Sabrina Kimberly Robinson  
Chrisrhanda Aneicia Rodgers  
Samantha Royster-Cunningham  
Buffy S. Ruffin  
Crystal Monique Sawyer  
Sharonne Tramaine Sawyer  
Gerrick Devon Scott  
Jenny Marie Scott  
Kristi Shank  
Marcus Albert Sharpe  
Travis Antonio Shoulers  
Melinda Harrell Simonds  
Rosslyn Yvette Smallwood  
Cherita Monique Smith  
Fatina Marle Smith  
Kendra Celia Smith  
Leeka Catherine Sock  
RaShawn Michael Spencer  
Shermae Edwinda Spratley  
Kathryn LaShanna Squire  
Dyann Wilson Stephens  
Arthur Louis Stephenson  
Keisha L. Stephenson  
Shannon Marie Stephenson  
Shauna Jaquay Steward  
Tisa Sherelle Stiles  
Ernest M. Sutton  
David Robert Swinney

Owen Danyell Sykes  
Virginia Anne Talmadge  
Tishanla A. Tatem  
Khallah Rajenna Taylor  
Laysha Nicole Taylor  
Olivia C. Taylor  
Lisa Diane Temple  
Herbert Michael Thibodeaux  
Tashia Esta Tillett  
Laquisha A. Tisdal  
Catina Pauline Tudder  
Tracy Nicole Twiddy  
Tishema Yvonne Valentine  
Kimeko Vaughan  
Shameika T. Vick  
Ernest Walker, III  
Free Lee Walton, Jr.  
Mona Maxine Walton  
Holly Hul-Chu Wang  
Kelly Elizabeth Ward  
Kizzy Dimanda Ward  
Tanya Renee Ward  
Lasindra R. Webb  
Sharonne Monique Wells  
Stephanie L. White  
Benjamin J. Whitefield  
April L. Whitley  
Atiba Abdul Wiggins  
Chante Wilkins  
Kelsey Kendale Wilkins  
Amber Dawn Williams  
Aretha Chante' Williams  
Christina G. Williams  
Shakeeba D. Williams  
Zaareneta L. Williams  
Jan Marie Willingham  
Brian Christian Willoughby  
Keshara Monique Wilson  
John Patrick Workman  
Jeri Renita Zachary  
Krista Chanel Zeigler  
Diane R. Zeuner

# Honors Fall Semester 2000-2001

## Chancellor's List: 3.75 to 4.0 Average

Jennifer Lyn Adkins	Shamika L. Cash	Christi Froelich	Nicole D. Kaczmarek	Lisa R. Newbern	Dyann Wilson Stephens
Catina Renee Alston	Sandra Marie Cashwell	Jennifer A. Futrell	Sharon E. King	Tina M. Norlega	Roxanne P. Stewart
Branden Germaine Anderson	Karl Bass Chappell	Demetra J. Gilmore	William E. Krimmel, III	Natasha Hall Norman	Tisha Sheree Stiles
Rebecca Dawn Armstrong	Gamallel R. Cherry	Tracey Colson Godfrey	Angela Marie Kurtzwell	Nicole Forehand Overton	DeTra L. Stith
Connie Lane Ashley	Rene' Denise Clark	Sharon L. Goehring	Nicole Marie Lavinder	Selena E. Overton	Donna M. Stockill
Rayshawna Lamari Askew	Jennifer L. Clagg	Valerie Goodwin	Damian O'Neill Lewis	Crystal Dianne Owens	Kendra L. Stone
Shannon D. Autry	April Denise Clark	Steven D. Gordin	Benjamin L. Long	Jessica E. Paige	Elizabeth Suderman
Connie Pendleton Balduf	Trenette Tyrell Clark	Sharon Gorgani	Casey Maderazo	Richard F. Petersen	Teyona L. Taylor
Charles Henry Basnight, Jr.	Natasha Shenee' Coley	Dean Joseph Gough	Bilie Jo Anne Malatesta	Wendlyn Price Pierce	Sarah Jean Lebow Tolson
Sandra W. Baum	Charna A. Cooper	Javon Griffin	Heather A. Malone	Tara Deleight Pleasant	Simone N. Utter
Stephanie Guttu Beaman	Gary Matthew Cooper	Linda W. Grimes	Courtney E. Markham	Tracy Benton Port	Monica Valentine
Barbara Joan Beck	James S. Cooper	Patty Twiford Halstead	Cathy G. McDanels	Tierra Monique Porter	Amy Roughton Venator
Armena G. Becton	Audrey Shovone Dance	Paula Rene Harrell	Vivian J. McDanels	Carol A. Pressnell	Monica Jane Vrablec
Leigh Ann Bierman	Royelle Edwarda Davis	Holly Renee Harris	Barbara Dale McDermott	Serena Catherine Price	Paulette Myers Wagner
Cristy S. Binder	Vincent Augustus Davls	Amber Michelle Hassell	Melissa D. McLean	Sharon Lee Priest	Rebecca Lynne Walker
Carroll Blondl	Norma Jean DeVita	Grantina A. Hayes	Leslie Michelle McPherson	Anne Michelle Raymond	Nicole Keefe White
Susanne Denise Blevins	Gwenette Nicole Dixon	Kristel L. Hedgepeth	Joy Lucinda Mcgehee	Becky Bruebaker Reeder	Lena A. Whitfield
Crystal Del'Borah Bloomfield	Shannon Aileen Doyle	Marcia Perry Hobbs	Rhonda H. Meadows	Kristen Denise Riddick	Cortisha Janelle Williams
Kimberly Wannette Bond	Phoebe Antolneta Eley	Robert L. Holley, Jr.	Amyjo Marie Miller	Sabrina Kimberly Robinson	Julie Davis Williams
Melvin Jevon Bonner	Allisa Ann Esposito	Heather Michele Hopkins	Carlie Elizabeth Miller	Cleantha D. Samuel	Anita Lynn Wogoman
Kathryn M. Bottum	Dixie Blanche Estus	Curtis Edward Horne	Tammy Miller-White	Shirley Wynne Schoolfield	MikeL Coddie Womack
Tonya Brinkley	Carrie L. Finney	Sherri Genesee Horner	Angela Jeanette Mitchell	Ray Edward Seier	Christine P. Wright
Rhonda Jean Britton	Theodore Paul Finney	Cynthia E. Howington	Natalie Danielle Moore	Carl William Seward	
Leslie Armstrong Brothers	David L. Flanders	Benita Earl Hurley	Amy Old Morgan	Amy N. Simmons	
Deborah Comer Bunch	Joan Eileen Fonville	Leverne Jackson	Cynthia Marie Morris	Olga H. Simpson	
Ruth Ann Burgess	Michael D. Fournier	Susan Marie Jones	Sheree LaMone Moye	Robin L. Smith	
Tremaline Caldwell	Crystal R. Foust	Tiffany Lynne Jones	Kimberly A. Newbern	Cynthia Diane Spencer	
Malissa Dianne Carr	James Williams Fox	Monique Shnee' Joyner			

## Vice-Chancellor's List: 3.50 to 3.74 Average

Justin Edward Anderson	Dana V. Brown	Justine Arkell Ford	Latoya Earleisha Jordan	Patty L. Rennert	Kristie Walker
Sandra Hines Arnold	Julian Brown	Willie James Gilchrist	Casey Yolanda Keyes	Keith O'Brian Richardson	Lakeisha Walton
Bernard Wesley Bailey, Jr.	Tyshau Lemoan Bryant	Fitema Arnes Gregory	Tiffanie Elizabeth King	Selma Riddick	Christopher B. Warden
Shaunte Laquita Barnes	Kathryn Dall Burgess	Patricia Ellen Griggs	Chimir Santana Knight	Kesse Satterfield	Raquita Monique Washington
Linda D. Barrett	Stephanie Ann Carpenter	Justin L. Grubbs	Angelika Loos-Sykes	Eva Lynn Shaw	Cynthia Sue Waits
Jessica Ann Barrler	Abrian Cherwilla Carter	Takeyla N. Hall	Allison Hughes Mims	Samuel L. Shrader	Michelle Marie White
Antonio Dewayne Barrow	William Harvey Chappell	Krystal M. Harris	Tonisha Hinton Mozelle	Janice LaFaye Silver	Wendy L. Whitley
Sarah Lynn Bateman	Natasha Shontice Cherry	Bonnie Nicole Higgins	Alicia M. Myrick	Alicia Santell Simpson	Lavonda Nicole Whitt
Angela Nicole Bembry	Tabitha Odell Clemons	Donna Jean Highsmith	Golar F. Newby	Damylon Keith Sledge	Amber Dawn Williams
Angela Reversal Betts	Rensha Devon Collier	John Richard Hinkle	Cynthia Norman	Rosslyn Yvette Smallwood	Aretha Chante' Williams
Jeffery A. Billups	Alice Brewin Cox	Joya Naticia Jenkins	Tuan Van On	Kacey Lynn Smith	Craig Lee Woodward
Aleacia Louise Blake	Amy Owens Cruise	Venita Francine Jenkins	Devine D. Overton	Zenika Shenel Spence	Debbie P. Wrighton
Tameka Roshele Braswell	Charlie Wilson Cuffee	Tracie LaWanda Johnson	Frances Lilley Overton	Risha Elizabeth Stallings	
Trisha Gal Breeding	Michelle Marie Culipher	Crystal Lashawn Johnston	William C. Parker	Laysha Nicole Taylor	
Kevin Lee Briggs	Annette Marie Dixon	Charles R. Jolley, Jr.	Christopher R. Ryan Patterson	Joseph Anthony Tillet	
Stacy Brock	Natasha Nicole Falson	Courtney M. Jordan	Elizabeth T. Rascoe	Tracy Nicole Twiddy	
Nalyhani Cherlece Broughton	Keisha Yvonne Ferguson	Crystal L. Jordan	Shawneque Latice Reid	Ernest Walker, III	

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Tanikla Latishia Adams	Tenille Wynette Capehart	Wyconda D. Gray	Wyatt R. Jordan, III	Michelle A. Pointer	Tameka L. Stith
Saldahn Kin Adkins	Grace V. Carter	Kimberly Green	ASndreas Ricara Kersey	Reginald T. Panton	Barbara B. Sutton
Joyce Lashun Allen	Kimberly Michelle Carter	Susan E. Green	Sherlante Denise S. Kindred	Kevin Dewayne Pope	Lashika Sutton
Kiana N. Allen	Dennis R. Chapman	Kimisha Denelle Greene	Rickey Edward King	Jennifer F. Powell	Shameka S. Sutton
Jannie Lureasa Anderson	Athena Chasteen	Toria R. Greer	Susan Virginia Klyver	Kristy M. Poyer	Lori Jane Tallman
Ron Bryant Anthony	Catreina Dinnete Cherry	Alaina Aurtherl Griffin	Jerry Tinsley Lane, Jr.	William Bradley Privott	Kymber Lee Taylor
Vicky I. Arrington	Brandon J. Christian	Tamika R. Groves	Loretta Mae Lane	Jermaline D. Purdie	Lisa Diane Temple
Msiter Askew	Greg O'Neal Clemons	Edward Hall, Jr.	Bernice L. Lee	Marcus Ralph	Felecia Anette Tetterton
Tracey Askew	Argyle J. Collins	Malcolm Frederick Hall	Camico D. Lee	Brenda Katrice Rawls	Herbert Michael Thibodeau
Russell R. Atstupenas	Joynell T. Collins	Lea Jacquelyn Hankerson	Aisha R. Lewis	Latony Michelle Raynor	Londrea R. Thomas
Ramatoullie Bah	Damian Alphonso Conyers	Amanda G. Harrell	Roxanna Perry Lewis	Anthony J. Razor	Monica Lorraine Tillett
Alexander D. Bailey	Crystal Joye Cooper	Lawrence Allen Harrell	Darlene B. Littlejohn	Jennifer Rebecca Reinholz	Mellitta Hodge Turley
Shawndrella Monique Baldwin	Loren Partice Cooper	Gall Mercer Harris	Wendy O. Lowe	Yvonne Ribeiro-Yemofio	Jasmine S. Turner
Carlandus M. Banks	Mark Stephen Cooper, II	Keisha Lashawn Harrison	Emma L. Luckey	Donna Maria Richards	Patrice L. Turner
Kelly L. Banks	Ebony Michole Copeland	Lonnel R. Harrison	Kendrick Antwan Lynch	Crystal L. Riddick	Tiffany Valentini
General Irvin Barrett	Tyrisha Copeland	Barbara A. Healy	Betsy Manfield	Erika Spellman Riddick	Tishema Yvonne Valentine
Emanuel Leory Basnight, Jr.	Candace Das Cosgrove	Heather Rose Hebrew	Mark Anthony Martin	Freita Williams Riddick	Kimiko Vaughan
Ginjah A. Battiste	Quentona Felice Cothran	Richard Preston Hewlin, Jr.	Anna Goodwin McCarthy	Marceller R. Riddick	Nelson D. Veale
Joseph Boyd Batts	Charles L. Cozart	Jonathan Thysa Hill	Erica L. McNeil	Adrian J. Roberson	Deborah Ann Vines
Shaniqua Lynette Beale	Christopher M. Crawford	LaToya LaShelle Hillard	Kimberly Deanne Meredith	Cynthia Akila Roberts	Andrew L. Vinson, Jr.
LaKesha Shante Beamon	Russel A. Crute	Richard Allen Hodges, Jr.	Lakisha Nicole Mills	Tremaine Lewanna Roberts	Kevin Jemar Wade
Tennille A. Bennett	Anna K. Cunningham	Karen J. Hoffman	Chirlita D. Mitchell	Bonita Jeanne Robinson	Nicole Lynette Walker
Evelyn H. Benton	Denita Cherrel Dalton	Jabarri Dronde Holder	Jason Andrew Mitchell	Edwin K. Rousseau	Tiffany Tosheviba Walton
Kelomi Naomi Berry	Jamaal A. Daniel	Francis M. Holley	Nekita Dorrell Mitchell	Sharita Monique Saunders	Kelly Elizabeth Ward
Antonio Devon Bess	Dedrick M. Daniels	Kristal Jade Holley	Wayland W. Mitchell, Jr.	Trisha Bundch Sawyer	Linay Francine Ward
Kenya N. Bethea	Rebecca Ann David	Lorraine Marie Holley	Shayvonna Mizelle	Heidi M. Schultz	Tanya Renee Ward
Davida Nikki Bines	Crystal D. Davis	Rhonda Lolita Holmes	Swany Chtallic Mojorro	Alesha Deshaw Scott	Terese Blanchard Ward
Conell Stallings Blount	Kendrick D. Davis	Tiffany Renee Hopson	Miriam N. Mojorro-Quintero	Gerrick Devon Scott	Lasindra R. Webb
Onzaria Marcel Bobbitt	Kindred Dwayne Davis	Jack Dennis Horton	Dominica Jaely Moody	Jenny Marie Scott	Sharonda Monique Wells
Sheanna L. Bonner	Bryan L. DeShazo	Laura Nicole Houston	Amber Crystal Moore	Monica Dennis Sessions	Airiel L. Whitaker
Charles P. Bowe	Sabrina L. Dillard	Jade J. Hughes	Audry Alice Moore	Shawn A. Sexton	Floria Demeka Wiggins
Kina Shante Bowe	Sharlena Downing	Robert A. Hughes	NaeTonnia Shamel Moore	Kristi Shank	Aaron Clinton Wilkins
Michelle K. Bowen	Kimberly T. Edwards	Richard William Jackson	William Patrick Morris	Chonda Denise Sheard	Chanteel Wilkins
Thelma Walton Boyce	Jenniffer Leigh Ferrell	Jenae Lashelle James	Latasha Newsome	Kimberly Dawn Shearin	Penda R. Wilkins
Curtis Wilbert Braswell, Jr.	Candace Monique Fisher	Marcia Sutton James	Levar Newsome	Travis Antonio Shoulars	Christina G. Williams
Kimberly Allison Bray	Kodi O. Fleming	Sholonda Tawana James	Michelle Rontez Nichols	Deidra Shenel Silver	Christina Shannon William
Lamika Sahvon Brickell	Jewell R. Foote	Sandra C. Jefferson	Adam L. Nixon	Melinda Harrell Simonds	Frederick L. Williams
Tamarah Miche'a Bridges	Jay N. Ford	Travis E. Jennings	Tamika Shante Nixon	Crystal Dean Simpson	Jordan D. Williams
Karen Lee Briggs	Takisha Lamen Frost	George M. Jerman, Jr.	Lauren A. Odom	Cynthia Ann Simpson	Marcus D. Williams
Nicholas Thornton Britt	James Futrell	Steve A. Jernigan	Abimbola Ogunnaika	Regina Elizabeth Simpson	Jan Marie Willingham
Andrew C. Broome	Warren Sebastian Gibbs	Jobina Lee Johnson	Inger Leverda Parker	Jason Carroll Small	Takia P. Winrow
Carmen A. Brown	Oswaldo E. Gonzalez	Danielle Katrice Jones	Reggie Lionel Parker	Beshelya D. Smith	Richele Marie Woodward
Cartrell K. Brown	Omar Ulysses Gordon	Ja'Tame V. Jones	Sakina Lashay Parker	Bradley Keith Smith	John Patrick Workman
Rashawn Takish Bunch		Kimberly Yvette Jones	Shanyell M. Parker	Kristen M. Snead	Chaquela S. Worthington
Erica Delivern Burnell		Nina Shearon Jones	Brockarte Julius Parkinson	Leeka Catherine Sock	Krista Chanel Zeigler
Erlica Lakeisha Butts		Tahquetta Alvarez Jones	Danny Jerome Person	Latoya L. Spence	
Willie Eugene Cabarrus		Courtney Leigh Jordan	Peter John Pesarik	Angel Spencer	
Ann Janette Cahoon			Victesa Roshane Pettaway	RaShawn Michael Spencer	
Angalika Johanna Cameron			Kecia Deneen Phelps	James E. Spleive	